

Get acquainted

Here, you'll find all the nitty gritty on Red Deer's new Green Cart program, in one easy, accessible and printable format.

Green Cart user guide

1. Store your Green Cart where most convenient, like in your yard or garage.
2. Write your address in the white area provided on the side of your cart.
3. Review what goes in your cart in this brochure, or online.
4. Set your cart out for collection, following the how-to's in this brochure, or online.
5. Place any excess yard waste beside the Green Cart, according to the pick-up guidelines.
6. Return the cart back to your property after collection.
7. Periodically rinsing your cart can help keep it tidy.

Kitchen Container user guide

1. Store your Kitchen Container where most convenient, like under the sink.
2. Empty your container into your Green Cart as necessary.
3. Wash or rinse your container as needed. Your Kitchen Container is also dishwasher safe.
4. Lining the Kitchen Container can also help keep it tidy. Paper bags, newspaper or certified compostable bags can all be used.

Cart collection

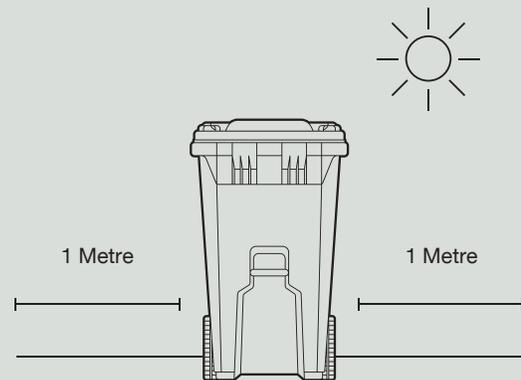
Your Green Cart will be collected from your current waste collection location, following your regular schedule, beginning the week of **April 9, 2018**. Please ensure there's 1 metre of clearance on all sides of your cart, including behind it, on collection day.

Front street users:

Place on flat ground with wheels against curb and white directional arrow pointing toward the street.

Back alley users:

Place on flat ground with wheels toward your property and white directional arrow pointing toward the alley.



Remember to ensure your cart is clear of all obstructions, like your extra yard waste, garbage bags, blue boxes, fence, trees and parked vehicles.

Compatibilities

Put these items in your Green Cart



Kitchen scraps

- ✓ Fruits and vegetables (raw and cooked)
- ✓ Table and plate scraps
- ✓ Meat, fish, bones and poultry carcasses
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Bread and baked goods
- ✓ Coffee grounds, filters and tea bags
- ✓ Pasta, grains and beans
- ✓ Eggs and eggshells
- ✓ Food-soiled paper towels and napkins



Yard waste

- ✓ Brush, leaves and branches
- ✓ Grass and garden debris



Pet waste

- ✓ All forms of pet waste
- ✓ Kitty litter
- ✓ Pet fur and feathers



Don't put these items in your Green Cart

- × Plastic bags
- × Plastic containers
- × Styrofoam
- × Diapers
- × Large or domestic animal carcasses
- × Diseased branches

Top five helpful hints

1.

Post the list of acceptable Green Cart items where you can reference it easily, like on your fridge or near where you store your Kitchen Container.

2.

To prevent odours from the Green Cart and keep animals away, ensure to set it out on time for weekly pickup, keep the lid closed, and store out of direct sunlight if possible. Cleaning the cart on a regular basis, using mild detergent and water or vinegar and water can also help.

3.

To prevent odours from the Kitchen Container, empty it frequently and clean regularly, in the dishwasher or with a mild detergent and water or vinegar and water.

4.

To prevent organics from freezing in colder months, place your Green Cart in an area shielded from the weather (i.e. garage). If this is not possible, you can prevent organics from freezing to the bottom by lining the bottom of the cart with newspapers, pizza boxes, leaves or a certified compostable bag. Lining the bottom of the cart can also help keep it tidy and manage odours.

5.

Extra yard waste can be set out beside your Green Cart for collection in cans labelled with a yard waste sticker, or in paper yard waste bags - just like you would have normally set out yard waste in the old yard waste collection program. Make sure that food scraps and pet waste fill up your Green Cart first, and then top it up with yard waste. Only set out extra yard waste if the Green Cart is full, and remember to place one metre away from your cart.

Questions?

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