

2017

Living Greener Calendar



RECYCLING, GARBAGE & YARD WASTE COLLECTION
www.regionaldistrict.com/recycle

What Can Be Recycled?

See page 4 for more recyclables,
or visit regionaldistrict.com/recycle

Items marked with a ✓ are recyclable.

Items marked with an ✗ should be placed in the garbage.



Paper Cups & Lids

✓ All disposable paper based cups & lids

DO NOT INCLUDE

✗ Straws, stir sticks



Frozen Food Packaging

✓ Rinsed, plastic coated boxes such as ice cream cartons



Cartons (plastic coated)

✓ Rinsed milk/milk alternative cartons
✓ Rinsed soup 'tetra-pak' containers

DO NOT INCLUDE

✗ Straws
✗ Stand-up drink pouches



Aerosol Cans & Caps

✓ Hairspray, deodorant, shaving cream, air freshener, food based aerosols must be completely empty

DO NOT INCLUDE

✗ Spray paint cans
(take to hazardous waste depot)



Aluminum

✓ Foil & food containers
✓ Empty & rinse
✓ Labels are ok

DO NOT INCLUDE

✗ Chip or foil bags
✗ Foil wrap from butter or cigarettes



Tin Cans & Lids

✓ All tin cans, keep lids attached
✓ Labels are ok

DO NOT INCLUDE

✗ Coat hangers, pots, pans or baking trays
(Please donate these items.)



Plastic Containers & Lids

- ✓ All empty & rinsed household plastic containers

DO NOT INCLUDE

- ✗ Lawn edging, tarps, plastic furniture or toys or garden hoses
- ✗ Motor oil or chemical containers (Take these to a depot; see www.usedoilrecycling.com)

PLASTIC BAGS & STYROFOAM must be taken to DEPOT ONLY



Spiral Wound Paper Cans & Lids

- ✓ Frozen juice, coffee cans, chips, baby formula cans
- ✓ Put lids in cart loose



Microwaveable Paper Containers

- ✓ Single serve soups & other paper bowls

DO NOT INCLUDE

- ✗ Bowls with metal rims



Paper, Newspaper, Magazines

- ✓ Newspapers, flyers & inserts, white and coloured paper & magazines, catalogues, phone books, pet food bags (not foil lined)
- ✓ Shredded paper accepted inside a CLEAR plastic bag

DO NOT INCLUDE

- ✗ Carbon paper, used tissue or paper towels, foil gift wrap, ribbons, bows, padded envelopes
- ✗ Books (please donate)



Cardboard & Boxboard

- ✓ Clean cardboard boxes, pizza boxes etc.
- ✓ Cereal box-type cardboards

DO NOT INCLUDE

- ✗ Waxed produce boxes

See page 4 for more recyclables or visit regionaldistrict.com/recycle



PLASTIC BAGS, STYROFOAM and GLASS must be taken to a DEPOT ONLY

See page 6 to find your nearest depot.

How to Use Your Carts

- All materials must fit within the carts completely with lids closed.
- Do not block bicycle lanes or sidewalks. Carts must not be an obstacle for cyclists or pedestrians.
- Extra garbage? Up to two (2) additional garbage bags that display a 'tag a bag' sticker and are not inside a garbage can will be collected.

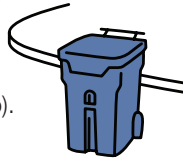


Be Cart Smart

Place your carts properly for collection. Carts improperly placed may not be emptied.

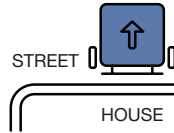
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On the street, with the wheels against the curb, or on the shoulder (if no curb).



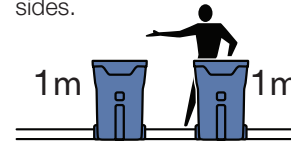
Point it

Point the arrow on the cart lid towards the road.

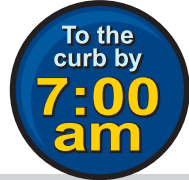


Space it

Leave at least an arm's length distance on all sides.



To reduce conflicts with wildlife please **DO NOT** place your carts out before your collection day.



GARBAGE:

Black Lid

WEEKLY curbside collection of garbage.

Garbage must fit in cart with lid closed.

Preparation

Garbage only. Yard and garden waste and recyclables are not permitted in garbage carts (black lid).

Accepted

- ✓ Regular garbage
- ✓ Kitchen waste
- ✓ Containers with food
- ✓ Diapers
- ✓ Animal waste, loose grit/sawdust (must be bagged)
- ✓ Cling wrap, zipper bags, bubble wrap
- ✓ Broken window glass, mirror, ceramics
- ✓ Styrofoam peanuts or chips. Take all other Styrofoam to a depot for recycling.

Not Accepted

- ✗ No liquids
- ✗ No hot ashes
- ✗ No wood, drywall, metal, concrete or bricks
- ✗ No renovation material
- ✗ No batteries, electronics or small appliances
- ✗ No hazardous materials (motor oil, paint, chemicals, pesticides)
- ✗ No bulbs or light fixtures (take to depot)
- ✗ No recyclables, incl. cardboard or paper
- ✗ No yard/garden waste
- ✗ No Styrofoam or glass (take to depot)

RECYCLABLES:

Blue Lid

BI-WEEKLY curbside collection of recyclable materials. Mix all recyclables and leave materials loose in the cart.

DO NOT place recyclables in bags. Take all glass containers and refundable beverage containers to a bottle depot.

Do not pack materials into the cart: it will not empty when dumped.

Paper

- ✓ Cardboard & boxboard
- ✓ Paper, including newspaper, flyers, magazines, catalogues, gift wrap
- ✓ Shredded paper (place in clear plastic bag only)

Containers

- ✓ Tin and aluminum cans, aluminum foil and lids
- ✓ Spiral wound paper cans
- ✓ Milk & milk alternative cartons (e.g. soy, almond milk)
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans
- ✓ Disposable paper and plastic cups
- ✓ Plastic containers (emptied and rinsed)
- ✓ Plastic garden pots and trays
- ✓ Frozen food packaging

- ✗ No paper towel, napkins, Kleenex
- ✗ No plastic bags (take to depot)
- ✗ No Styrofoam or glass (take to depot)
- ✗ No books (please donate)
- ✗ No cling wrap, bubble wrap or zipper bags
- ✗ No foil gift wrap
- ✗ No light bulbs or light fixtures (take to depot)
- ✗ No mirror or ceramics
- ✗ No needles or medical waste
- ✗ No motor oil, chemical containers or paint cans
- ✗ No diapers
- ✗ No batteries, electronics or small appliances (take to depot)
- ✗ No used clothing (donate)
- ✗ No scrap metal, wood or renovation material
- ✗ No plastic toys, storage bins, pails larger than 25 L
- ✗ No propane cylinders, spray paint cans

YARD & GARDEN WASTE:

Green Lid

BI-WEEKLY curbside collection of yard and garden waste, March 1st to November 30th. Put all yard waste loosely into cart. Residents are encouraged to grasscycle and compost.

NO plastic bags, no paper bags, no biodegradable bags, no containers. Do not pack materials into the cart; it will not empty when dumped. Yard or garden waste is not permitted in the garbage cart.

- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Weeds
- ✓ Plant trimmings
- ✓ Prunings and branches up to 5cm (2in) in diameter AND less than 1m (3ft) long
- ✓ Pine needles & cones
- ✓ Pumpkins
- ✓ Fruit droppings

Yard waste must fit in cart with lid closed

- ✗ No plastic, paper or compostable bags
- ✗ No dirt, sod, rocks or tree stumps
- ✗ No kitchen or food waste
- ✗ No diapers
- ✗ No used tissue or paper towels
- ✗ No regular garbage
- ✗ No animal feces or kitty litter
- ✗ No construction or renovation materials
- ✗ No agricultural or commercial waste
- ✗ No landscape fabric or plastic edging
- ✗ No plastic flower pots (recycle in blue lid cart)

NO yard waste collection December, January or February.

Garbage Disposal Locations & Hours



Westside Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre

250-469-6250 | 2640 Asquith Road

(off Shannon Lake Rd)

Open 7:30am to 4pm

Friday through Monday only.

Gates close at 3:50pm.

Waste Fees apply. \$2.50 per bag, medium load \$10, large \$30, extra large \$50.

Closed Christmas Day & New Year's Day

Glenmore Landfill

250-469-8880 | 1595 Glenmore Road N

Open 7:30am to 4:45pm daily

Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day

TIPPING FEES (Subject to change)
\$2.50 per bag household garbage.
Minimum of \$10 for 250 kg or less.
Over 250 kg is pro-rated at \$65/tonne.

Yard Waste

Year-round drop off at

- Westside Residential Waste Disposal Centre (Fees apply)
- Glenmore Landfill (up to 250 Kg free of charge, over 250 kg \$40)

Please empty yard waste out of plastic, biodegradable or brown paper bags when dropping off.

Recycling Depots

Please call depots to confirm which items are accepted.

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2640 Asquith Road
(off Shannon Lake Rd)
250-469-6250

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(Gates close at 3:50pm)
Friday-Monday only

CLOSED:
Christmas Day &
New Year's Day

Glenmore Landfill

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Columbia Bottle Depots

CENTRAL DEPOT
1988 Kirschner Rd
250-763-2500

OPEN: 8am-5pm daily
CLOSED: Statutory
holidays

ST. PAUL DEPOT
1314 St. Paul St
250-763-2554

OPEN: 8am-5pm daily
CLOSED: Statutory
holidays

RUTLAND DEPOT
680 Dease Rd
250-765-9115

OPEN:
Mon-Fri: 8am-5pm
Sat-Sun: 8am-4pm
CLOSED: Statutory
holidays

The Battery Doctors

*(NO cardboard, paper, plastic, Styrofoam
or glass accepted at this location only.)*

1972 Windsor Rd
250-860-2866

OPEN: Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm
Sat: 9am-3pm
CLOSED: Sundays

Planet Earth Recycling

#3-1400 Industrial Road
West Kelowna
250-768-0878

OPEN:
Mon-Fri: 8:30am-4:30pm
Sat: 10am-4pm

CLOSED: Sundays

Boucherie Bottle Depot

2711 Kyle Rd
250-769-7122

OPEN:
Oct-May: Mon-Sat 8:30am-5pm
June-Sep: Mon-Sat 8:30am-6pm
CLOSED: Sundays

Tag a Bag

Up to two (2) additional bags of garbage
may be put out with Tag a Bag tags
attached.

Tags (\$2.50 each) may be purchased at:

City of Kelowna residents only:

City Hall, 1435 Water St.
Lakeview Market, 3033 Pandosy St.
Harvest Grocery, 4125 Spiers Rd.
Shoppers Drug Mart: 1449 Gordon Dr.
1972 Kane Rd.
Hwy 33 (Rutland Mall)
Sunshine Market, 4600 Lakeshore Rd.

All municipal residents outside Kelowna:

West Kelowna Municipal Office, 2760
Cameron Road
Lake Country Municipal Hall, 10150 Bottom
Wood Lake Road
Peachland Municipal Hall, 5806 Beach Avenue

RDCO Electoral Area Residents:

Regional District Office, 1450 KLO Road
North Westside Transfer Station, Fintry
Westside Residential Waste Disposal &
Recycling Centre

Garbage/Recycling Collection Schedule

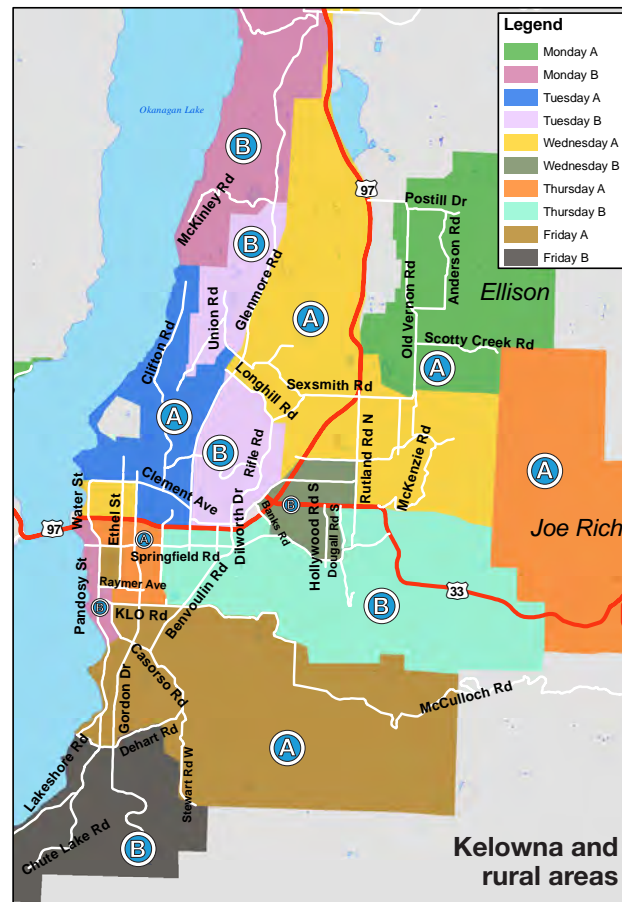
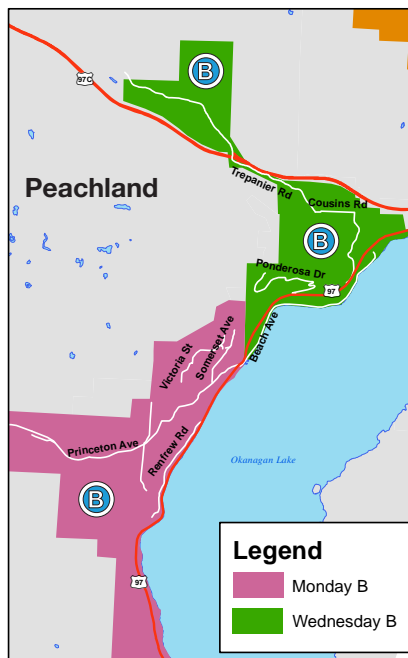
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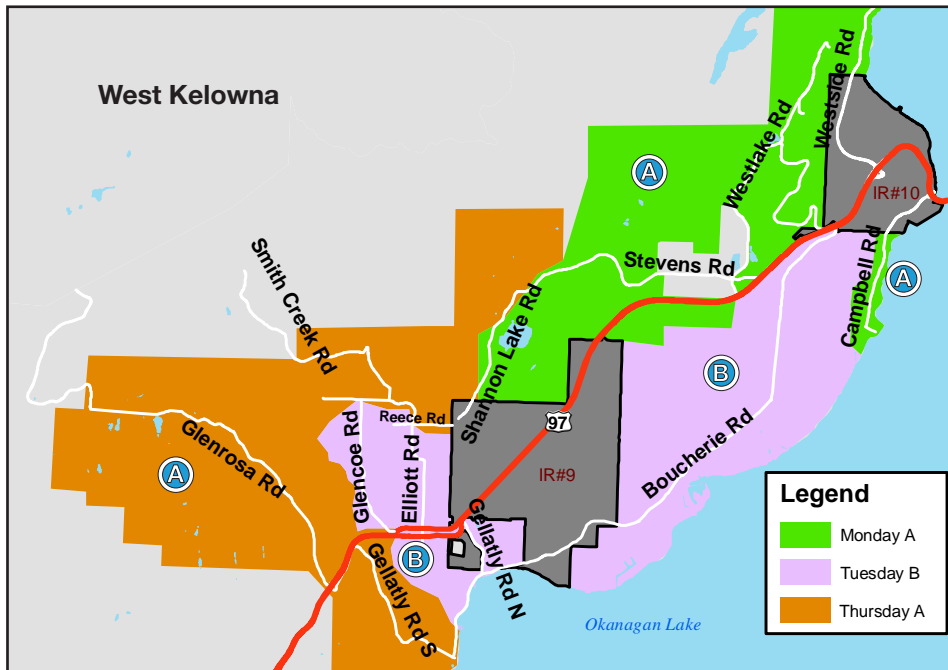
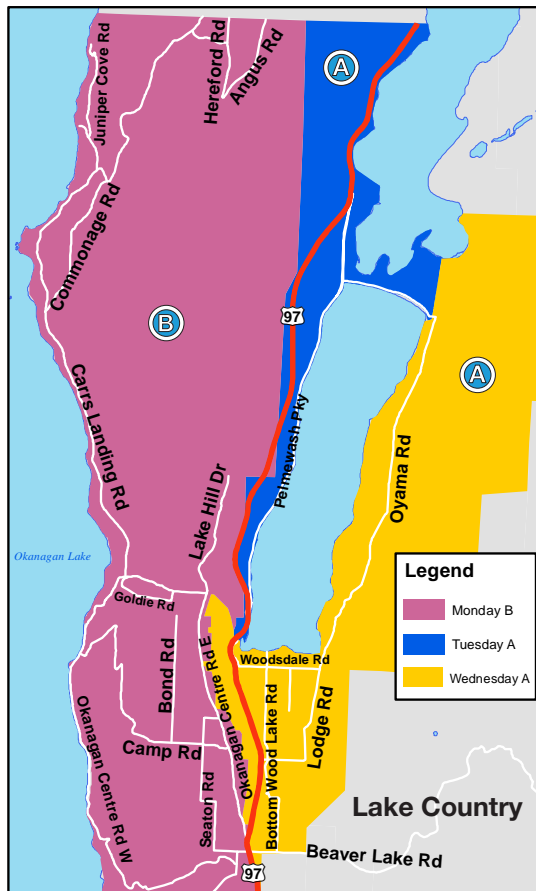
Step 1: Refer to the map for your area to determine your collection day.

Step 2: For your recycling week, follow the (A) or (B) symbols shown at the beginning of each week throughout the calendar. i.e. If your home is in Area (A), place your recyclables cart at the road along with your garbage on the weeks that are marked with the letter (A).

Step 3: Place your yard waste at the road on the alternate weeks with the 🍃 symbol (March to November only).

If you need help determining if you live in an (A) or (B) area, please call 250-868-3211 or visit regionaldistrict.com/recyclemaps







Green Resolutions for a New Year

Ring in the New Year with smart choices that reduce household waste:

- Start backyard composting – it's easy, fun and can cut your household garbage in half! (If you'd like to buy a backyard composter, check out our composter pre order sale in March at www.regionaldistrict.com/compostersale).
- Recycle and donate items for re-use.
- Use reusable shopping bags, baskets or bins.
- Say no to take-out cups and bottled water, bring a reusable mug or bottle with you when you head out.
- Choose your purchases wisely, and those with less packaging.
- Dispose appropriately of hazardous waste, old medications, electronic waste and batteries to keep all of this unsafe material out of our landfill.

These smart choices will help create a more positive future for our shared environment. The world is in our hands!



sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2 Regular Collection	3 Dog license renewal deadline: February 28 regionaldistrict.com/doglicense	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 <i>Chinese New Year</i>
29	30	31	 CHRISTMAS TREE DROP OFF (until Jan.31) at: Kelowna: Glenmore Landfill, Cook Rd boat launch parking lot, Ben Lee Park parking lot (free) West Kelowna: Westside Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre (fees apply) Lake Country: Jack Seaton Park on Camp Road (free)			



Breathe Easier Burn Responsibly

WOODSTOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Exchange your old wood stove for a new certified appliance and earn a cash rebate of \$250 (plus dealer discounts may apply).

- Burn only clean, dry wood (less than 20% moisture)
- Never burn garbage
- Never burn green, painted or treated wood

OPEN BURNING SEASON

Properties greater than 1 hectare may apply for an open burning permit (Oct 1-Apr 30)

- After obtaining a permit for open burning, check air quality conditions online or call 1-855-262-BURN (2876) before you burn
- Only Burn prunings, branches, tree trunks which have been DRY for at least two years

- Contact Fire Dispatch if you suspect someone is burning without a permit or the specific requirements are not met, 250-469-8577.

For more information:
www.regionaldistrict.com/airquality
250-469-8408 | airquality@kelowna.ca



Recycling Collection

NOTE: No Yard Waste collection in February.
(Yard waste collection resumes March 1st.)

To find out if you are in an **A** or **B** collection week, see maps on pages 7-8.



February 2017

sunday		monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
Want to try back yard composting and cut your garbage in half? Order a back yard composter in March. Go to regionaldistrict.com/compostersale for more info.				1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13 <i>Family Day</i> Regular collection	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28 Dog License Renewal deadline, avoid a higher license fee, see regionaldistrict.com/doglicense	 Have collection dates, "what goes where" info and more delivered right to your smartphone or tablet with the RDCO's own my-waste™ app! Visit regionaldistrict.com/mywasteapp for your free download today.				



Satisfy Your Soil

PLANTS LOVE IT!

Amend your soil naturally with locally-made compost. OgoGrow and GlenGrow strengthen lawns and gardens by helping them to:

- Retain moisture
- Resist weeds
- Stay healthy and enriched

OgoGrow is a high-standard compost created by combining biosolids and woodchips, ideal for returning rich organic matter and essential nutrients to your soil. Purchase OgoGrow at the Regional Compost Facility in Vernon, participating local nurseries, or at the Glenmore Landfill in Kelowna.

GlenGrow is a superb soil amendment and top dressing produced from composted local yard trimmings. GlenGrow is available for purchase at the Glenmore Landfill in Kelowna.

For more information call 250 469-8868 or visit okanagancompost.ca.

**City of Kelowna
City of Vernon**



**Recycling
Collection**



**Yard Waste
Collection**

To find out if you are in an
A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



March 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
 COMPOSTER PRE-ORDER SALE THIS MONTH ONLY! go to regionaldistrict.com/compostersale			1 Yard Waste Collection Resumes	2	3	4
5 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Daylight Savings Time Begins (clocks forward) 	13	14	15	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18
19 	20 First Day of Spring	21	22 U.N. World Water Day	23	24	25 Earth Hour
26 	27	28	29	30	31 Composter Pre Order Sale ends TODAY! To order: go to regionaldistrict.com/ compostersale	



April is Community Clean Up Month!

**Show some community spirit
by organizing a clean up of
your own. A little effort can
have a huge impact.**

Get a group of friends, family, or coworkers together and tackle a clean-up in your neighbourhood. It's amazing the difference we can make when we all pitch in and lend a little elbow grease.

The Regional Waste Reduction Office can help. We provide the gear, from garbage bags to pickers, and vests, and even arrange to collect the garbage when the clean up is done.

To find out more go to regionaldistrict.com/recycle



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April 2017

sunday

monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

friday

saturday

Broken?

Don't toss it, Fix it, at the Repair Café – see regionaldistrict.com/repaircafe for more info.



1 20 Minute
Makeover
Community Cleanup
(go to regionaldistrict.com/recycle for more info)

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Good Friday
Regular collection

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*Easter Sunday,
Greek Orthodox
Easter*

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Easter Monday
Regular collection

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Earth Day



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Repair Café
Okanagan
College

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Gardening Season Is Here

OKANAGAN INVASIVE SPECIES

**Tyria Jacobaeae –
Tansy Ragwort Bioagent**



- Tansy Ragwort is an invasive species from the sunflower family.
- Alkaloids within the plant make it toxic to livestock causing liver damage.
- It is an aggressive plant that can reduce pasture land.

To control invasive species on your property, cut and remove them from the site.

Regular weed maintenance reduces the spread of invasive species to neighboring properties.

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL OKANAGAN

www.regionaldistrict.com/weeds

Phone: 250 469 6218



How to use your carts

Refer to
pages 1-4
for complete
details.

PROPERLY SORTING WASTE ENSURES WE DIVERT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE FROM LANDFILL.

GARBAGE (Weekly collection)

Include:

- Regular garbage
- Kitchen waste
- Containers with food
- Diapers
- Animal waste, loose grit/
sawdust (must be bagged)



RECYCLABLES (Bi-weekly collection)

Include:

- Newspapers and flyers
- Paper including envelopes,
paper bags, magazines
- Boxboard, including cereal
boxes, etc
- Cardboard
- Plastic containers (empty and rinsed)
- Paper cups and lids
- Milk, juice and soup containers
- Aerosol cans and lids
- Aluminum foil wrap and containers
- Tin and aluminum cans



YARD/GARDEN WASTE (Bi-weekly collection, March – November)

Include:

- Grass clippings
- Leaves
- Weeds
- Plant trimmings
- Pine needles and cones
- Pumpkins
- Fruit droppings
- Prunings and branches up to 5cm (2 in)
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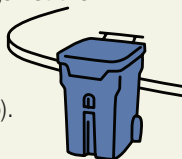
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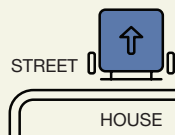
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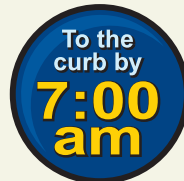
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length distance on all
sides.



2017

At a Glance

GARBAGE (BLACK LID) IS COLLECTED WEEKLY.

BI-WEEKLY Recycling & Yard Waste Schedule

- Refer to the maps on pages 7 & 8 to determine whether you are in Zone A or Zone B, and your collection day.
- Then use the legend to the right to find your bi-weekly collection schedule on this calendar.

Example: Zone A recycling is collected during the week of March 6th.

Zone A yard waste is collected during the week of March 13th.

(Note: No yard waste collection in January, February or December).



Recycling Collection

Yard Waste Collection



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Yard Waste Collection

January 2017

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Your complete Living Greener Calendar is also available online at regionaldistrict.com/recycle

QUESTION ABOUT YOUR SCHEDULED PICK-UP?

Refer to your main calendar. For automated collection information, contact

OK Environmental Waste Systems

250-868-3211,
www.okews.com



July 2017

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October 2017

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November 2017

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December 2017

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Central Okanagan

TOO GOOD TO WASTE!

B.C.'s product stewardship programs divert many household items from our landfills, ensuring they are recycled or disposed of safely.

Packaging & Printed Paper  www.recyclinginbc.ca	Beverage Containers  www.encorp.ca/return-it	Paint, Pesticides & Flammable Liquids  www.regeneration.ca	Household Batteries & Cell phones  www.call2recycle.ca	Medications (prescription & non-prescription)  www.medicationsreturn.ca	Lights, Bulbs & Fixtures  www.lightrecycle.ca	Electronics  www.encorp.ca/electronics
Small Appliances  www.electrorecycle.ca	Smoke or Carbon Monoxide Alarms  www.alarmrecycle.ca	Thermostats  www.switchthestat.ca	Outdoor Power Equipment  www.opec.ca	Used Oil & Antifreeze Products  www.usedoilrecycling.ca	Tires  www.tsbc.ca	

Help protect our Okanagan by taking these items to your nearest depot. Visit these websites, or check the B.C. Recycling Hotline for details.
www.rcbc.ca • 1-800-667-4321

REMEMBER!

The easiest way to reduce waste is not to create it in the first place.

See regionaldistrict.com/recycle for ways to REDUCE your waste!

Download RDCO's my-waste app for **FREE**.



regionaldistrict.com/mywasteapp



Download your own my-waste[®] app

You Get:

- A personalized collection schedule
- Custom collection reminders
- A "What Goes Where?" search tool
- And more!

Personal garbage, recycling & waste collection guide at your fingertips.



**Recycling
Collection**








**Yard Waste
Collection**

To find out if you are in an
A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



May 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
						
14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20
						
21	22 <i>Victoria Day</i> Regular collection	23	24	25	26	27 Trunk Sale – go to regionaldistrict.com/ trunksale for info
						
28	29	30	31	Love a Good Bargain? Visit the RDCO's Trunk Sale Saturday May 27th, Okanagan College KLO Road. For details, or to sign up to sell your wares as a vendor, visit regionaldistrict.com/trunksale		
						



Regional Parks – Naturally Yours

THERE ARE MANY WAYS
TO SPEND MORE TIME
OUTDOORS IN THE
CENTRAL OKANAGAN.



- Hike in Rose Valley Regional Park
- Kayak at Kalamo Regional Park
- Have a Family Picnic at Kopje Regional Park
- Harvest nuts from the 103 year old nut orchard at Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park
- Fish at Shannon Lake Regional Park
- Bird watch at Woodhaven Nature Conservancy Regional Park

- Learn and explore at the EECO
- Watch the waterfall in Mill Creek Regional Park
- Swim at Antler's Beach Regional Park
- Walk your dog on-leash or cycle along the Mission Creek Greenway

Learn more at
regionaldistrict.com/parks



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Collection**



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Collection**

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A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



June 2017

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tuesday

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 <p>Right at your fingertips! Have collection dates, what goes where info and more delivered right to your smartphone or tablet with the RDCOs my-waste app. Visit regionaldistrict.com/mywaste app for your free download today.</p>				1	2	3
4 	5 <i>World Environment Day</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11 	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 <i>Father's Day</i> 	19	20	21 <i>First Day of Summer National Aboriginal Day</i>	22	23	24
25 	26	27 <i>Multicultural Day</i>	28	29	30	



Slim Down Your Waste With Reusable Bags

CANADIANS TAKE HOME
MORE THAN 55 MILLION
PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS
EACH WEEK.

**Reduce your need for plastic
shopping bags with these tips:**

- Use reusable bags, boxes, backpacks or carts for your shopping.
- Say NO to plastic bags at the cash register if you only have a few items.
- Put purchases in a bag you're already carrying.
- Don't take a bag unless you really need it. Make sure each bag holds at least eight items, and avoid double-bagging.

SPREAD THE WORD

Ask local stores to stock alternatives to plastic bags, and to offer a discount for bringing your own bag.



**Recycling
Collection**



**Yard Waste
Collection**

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A or **B** collection week,
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July 2017

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monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

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1 *Canada Day*

Register to receive your 2018 Living Greener Calendar.

Visit regionaldistrict.com/recycle or call 250.469.6250

(If you have already registered, no need to re-register each year)



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The Dirt on Composting

YOUR LAWN AND GARDEN WILL LOVE IT!

Composting is a natural process in which organic materials decompose, and become a nutrient-rich soil amendment. It aids erosion control, promotes soil fertility, and stimulates healthy root development. And it cuts down on valuable waste going to landfills.

Composting can take 3 to 18 months, depending upon how well the pile is maintained. Compost is ready when its texture is crumbly and it has a pleasant, earthy smell.

Tips for successful composting:

- Keep your compost pile moist, but not wet. Add dry materials such as shredded paper, if it is too wet.
- Aerate by turning it occasionally. A dry or frozen pile decomposes more slowly, as does one that is never turned.
- Avoid thick layers of any one material, such as grass.
- Layer "brown" materials e.g. dried leaves, dead plants and shredded newspaper), with "green" materials (e.g. plant trimmings and fruit and vegetable peels and cores).

- A one-inch (2.5cm) layer of finished compost or garden soil spread on top of kitchen scraps will speed things up.
- Bury fruit and vegetable trimmings at least 6 inches deep.
- Smaller pieces decompose faster.
- Avoid composting meat, fish or dairy items, as well as: bones, pet waste/litter, cooking oil, rhubarb leaves, and toxic or diseased plants and weeds.



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A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



August 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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 	7 <i>B.C. Day</i> Regular collection	8	9	10	11	12
 	14	15	16	17	18	19
 	21	22	23	24	25	26
 	28	29	30	31	Be Cart Smart: Plastic film, Styrofoam & glass don't go in your cart! Take them to a depot.	
 						



Visit Our Trunk Sale!

**Love a Bargain?
Get a special thrill from scoring
that perfect Garage Sale find?**

Then visit our Trunk Sale, held May and September. Trunk Sales are huge garage sales on wheels, with over 150 vendors, selling their wares right from the trunks of their vehicles in one big parking lot.

It's a fun event, all about deals and re-use, and helping keep things from

landing unnecessarily in our landfill. For details on the next trunk sale (September 30th, 2017) visit regionaldistrict.com/trunksale.

PS. If you want to sell your stuff at a Trunk Sale, you need to pre-register. Call 250.469.6250 for info.



**Recycling
Collection**



**Yard Waste
Collection**

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A or **B** collection week,
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September 2017

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Love a Good Bargain?

Visit the RDCOs Trunk Sale Saturday, September 30th, Okanagan College, KLO Road.

For details, or to sign up to sell your wares as a vendor, visit regionaldistrict.com/trunksale



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Labour Day
Regular collection

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Trunk Sale
for info go to
[regionaldistrict.com/
trunksale](http://regionaldistrict.com/trunksale)





Hazardous Waste

Household products that contain corrosive, toxic, flammable or reactive components are considered household hazardous wastes and should be disposed of safely to protect our health and environment. Examples of household hazardous wastes include paints and solvents, pesticides and fertilizers, cleaners, drain opener and batteries, electronics, thermostats, fluorescent lighting and aerosols.

Do Not:

- Pour them down the drain or on the ground
- Dump them in the storm sewer
- Discard them in the garbage
- Bury them

Where to dispose of Hazardous Wastes?

The Battery Doctors

1972 Windsor Road, Kelowna.

The Battery Doctors offers year round collection of residential household hazardous waste products for safe disposal. Go to www.regionaldistrict.com/ recycle to view a full list of acceptable materials and quantity limits, or call the Battery Doctors at 250.860-2866.

For additional info visit the BC Product Stewardship website or call the BC Recycling Hotline, 1-800-667-4321.



To find out if you are in an **A** or **B** collection week, see maps on pages 7-8.



October 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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8 	9 <i>Thanksgiving</i> Regular collection	10	11	12	13	14
15 	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 	23	24	25	26	27	28 Repair Café, Okanagan College. Visit regionaldistrict.com/repaircafe for more info.
29 	30 REGISTER BY OCT. 31 TO RECEIVE YOUR 2018 LIVING GREENER CALENDAR	31 <i>Halloween</i>	<p>For uncarved pumpkins, remove the insides for cooking (you can also compost the insides; composting the seeds may result in pumpkin plants next year). Remove any candles or wax. Place your carved pumpkin in your compost heap and smash it a bit, cover it with a layer of leaves. And, let nature do its work. OR you can also put your pumpkin in your yard waste cart for pick up.</p>			



Yard Waste

YARD WASTE IS
COLLECTED BI-WEEKLY
AT CURBSIDE FROM
MARCH TO NOVEMBER
ON THE DAYS INDICATED
THROUGHOUT THIS
CALENDAR.

**Yard waste must fit in your cart
with lid closed. No plastic or
paper bags please!**

Include: Grass clippings, leaves, weeds, plant trimmings, pine needles and cones, pumpkins, fruit droppings, prunings and branches up to 5cm (2 in) in diameter AND less than 1m (3ft) long.

Not Accepted: Kitchen scraps, rocks, dirt, sod, tree stumps, larger branches, painted or treated wood and animal droppings.

Mulched or shredded leaves are an excellent source of nutrients and protection for your lawn and garden. It chokes out weeds, too.

Here are some tips to help you.

- Shred leaves when they are dry.

- Push mower slowly over areas with lots of leaves; you may have to run over them twice.
- Dig them directly into your garden.
- Spread leaf mulch on gardens and around shrubs and trees as winter protection. Leave some space around shrubs and trees. Mulch is most effective when it is 6-7 cm (2 to 3 in) deep.
- Don't forget to compost any leftovers.

Have more yard waste or leaves than will fit in your cart. Bring it to (up to 250kg) to the Glenmore Landfill for free, or the Westside Residential Waste Disposal Center year round. (fees apply) For a complete list of acceptable items to put in your yard waste cart, visit regionaldistrict.com/recycle.



**Recycling
Collection**



**Yard Waste
Collection**

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A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



November 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
REMINDER: Last Day of Yard Waste Cart Collection is November 30!			1	2	3	4
5 <i>Day Light Savings Time Ends</i> (clocks back)	6	7	8	9	10	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 <i>Last day of Yard Waste Cart Collection</i>	Fall Yard Waste Take your yard waste year round to the Glenmore Landfill for free (up to 250 kg) or to the Westside Residential Waste Disposal Centre (fees apply).	



Make Holiday Memories, not Garbage

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON,
GIVE THE GIFT OF
EXPERIENCE, RATHER
THAN THINGS.

These gifts can be meaningful and create a memory to last a lifetime.

Here are just a few ideas:

- Ski or snowboard passes
- Tickets to a play, concert or sporting event
- Gift of pampering such as a massage or spa treatment
- Give baking or other thoughtful homemade gifts

- Cooking or photography classes
- Give the gift of an art class, e.g. ceramics or painting
- Give the gift of your time, teach someone a new skill like knitting, woodworking, cooking

**Happy Holidays from the Regional District
Waste Reduction Office!**




**Recycling
Collection**

**NOTE: No Yard
Waste collection
in December.**

To find out if you are in an
A or **B** collection week,
see maps on pages 7-8.



December 2017

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
 <p>Have collection dates, "what goes where" info and more delivered right to your smartphone or tablet with the RDCO's own my-waste™ app! Visit regionaldistrict.com/mywasteapp for your free download today.</p>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21 <i>First Day of Winter</i>	22	23
24	25 <i>Christmas Day</i> NO Collection. Monday collection moves to one day later.	26 <i>Boxing Day</i> Tuesday collection moves to one day later.	27 Wednesday collection moves to one day later.	28 Thursday collection moves to one day later.	29 Friday collection moves to one day later.	30
31	1 <i>New Year's Day</i> NO Collection. Monday collection moves to one day later.	2 Tuesday collection moves to one day later.	3 Wednesday collection moves to one day later.	4 Thursday collection moves to one day later.	5 Friday collection moves to one day later.	6
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Where to take...

THESE ITEMS SHOULD **NOT** BE PLACED OUT FOR CURBSIDE GARBAGE OR RECYCLING COLLECTION.

Item not listed? Call the Regional Waste Reduction Office at 250-469-6250, visit regionaldistrict.com/recycle, or consult the BC Recycling Hotline at 1-800-667-4321 or www.rcbc.ca.

Appliances (working)

AAA OK Trading/Repairs (drop-off only)	250-765-1511
ABC Recycling	250-765-6607
Big Brothers Big Sisters (small)	250-765-2661
Eric's Refrigeration & Appliances	250-861-8060
Kelowna Gospel Mission (small)	250-862-2404
MCC Thrift Shop (small)	250-765-7838

Appliances – Small (non-working)

(countertop appliances, sewing machines, vacuums, etc)	
www.electrorecycle.ca	1-800-667-4321

Antifreeze

www.usedoilrecycling.com	1-800-667-4321
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Batteries (household & automotive)

www.recyclemybattery.ca	1-800-667-4321
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Cartridges (inkjet & laser)

Coast Copy Systems	250-762-9522
Just Ink Services	250-860-2904
Ok Computer Products Recycling	250-869-8877
Save on Cartridge Plus	250-861-1239

Cell Phones

www.recyclemycell.ca	1-888-797-1740
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Electronics (incl. computers, printers & TVs)

www.return-it.ca/electronics	1-800-667-4321
Battery Doctors	250-860-2866
Boucherie Bottle Depot	250-769-7122
Columbia Depots:	
Dease Rd – Rutland	250-765-9115
Kirschner Rd – Central	250-763-2500
St. Paul Rd – Downtown	250-763-2554
Planet Earth Recycling	250-768-0878
Winfield Return-it Centre	250-766-2973

Metals (incl. non-working large appliances)

ABC Recycling	250-765-6607
Glenmore Landfill	250-469-8880
Knox Mountain Metals	250-763-6502
Planet Earth Recycling	250-768-0878
Westside Residential Waste Disposal & Recycling Centre	250-469-6250

Oil & Oil Filters/Containers

www.usedoilrecycling.com	1-800-667-4321
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Outdoor Power Equipment

www.opec.ca	1-800-667-4321
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Paint (residential)

www.regeneration.ca	1-877-592-2972
Battery Doctors	250-860-2866
Boucherie Bottle Depot	250-769-7122

Power Tools

www.electrorecycle.ca	1-800-667-4321
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Bicycles

BikeWays (Pathways Abilities Society)
250-762-4915

Books

Bibles for Mission 250-860-4791
Big Brothers & Big Sisters 250-765-2661
Canadian Diabetes 250-868-2077
Friends of the Library fol4k@hotmail.com
Mad Hatter Bookstore 250-768-2231
Planet Earth Recycling 250-768-0878
Ted's Paperbacks & Comics 250-763-1258

Bottle Depots

www.return-it.ca/beverage

Some depots also accept Styrofoam, glass, plastic bags and overwrap. CALL first to confirm.

Boucherie Bottle Depot 250-769-7122
Columbia Bottle Depots:
Dease Rd – Rutland 250-765-9115
Kirschner Rd – Central 250-763-2500
St. Paul Rd – Downtown 250-763-2554
Winfield Return-It Centre 250-766-2973

Hazardous Waste (residential)

(Pesticides, flammable liquids, gasoline and more)
www.regeneration.ca 1-877-592-2972
Battery Doctors 250-860-2866

Household Items (reuse quality)

(Clothing, footwear, bedding, dishes, furniture, etc.) Bibles for Mission 250-860-4791
Big Brothers & Big Sisters 250-765-2661
Canadian Diabetes (no furniture) 250-868-2077
Furniture Heaven (consignment) 250-762-2231
Glenmore Landfill (Big Brothers) 250-469-8880
IODE Thrift Store (no furniture) 778-478-9939
Kelowna Gospel Mission 250-862-2404
MCC Thrift Store 250-765-7838
Restores (Kelowna & W.Kelowna) 778-755-4346
Salvation Army 250-765-3450
Share 250-763-8117
Value Village 250-491-1356
Westside Residential Waste 250-469-6250
Disposal & Recycling Centre (Big Brothers)

Lighting Products (fluorescent bulbs, lamps, etc.)

www.lightrecycle.ca

Prescriptions/Medicines/Needles

www.medicationsreturn.ca
Return to place of purchase or to any pharmacy

Propane Tanks (empty only)

ABC Recycling (remove valve) 250-765-6607
Glenmore Landfill 250-469-8880
Knox Mountain Metal 250-763-6502
(remove valve)
Westside Residential Waste 250-469-6250
Disposal & Recycling Centre

Styrofoam, Glass, Plastic Bags and Overwrap

Glenmore Landfill (depot only) 250-469-8880
Planet Earth Recycling 250-768-0878
Westside Residential Disposal 250-469-6250
& Recycling Centre

**Some Bottle Depots may accept these items.
Call to confirm (see listing for contact info).**

Thermostats

www.switchthestat.ca 1-800-667-4321

Tires – Return to Retailer

www.tsbc.ca 1-866-759-0488

Automated collection information:

OK Environmental Waste Systems www.okews.com 250-868-3211



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**For an online version of this calendar,
go to regionaldistrict.com/recycle.**



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