

# COLLECTIONS

Collections are fortnightly; yellow (A) collection week or white (B) collection week. You can check which week you are online at [merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste). **Make sure your bin is out by 6am on collection day at the front edge of your property close to the public pavement, so it can be easily seen and easily reached by our collection crews.**

## October 2023

Week commencing

02	B
09	A
16	B
23	A
30	B

## November 2023

Week commencing

06	A
13	B
20	A
27	B

## December 2023

Week commencing

04	A
11	B
18	A
25*	B

## January 2024

Week commencing

01*	A
08*	B
15	A
22	B
29	A

## February 2024

Week commencing

05	B
12	A
19	B
26	A

## March 2024

Week commencing

04	B
11	A
18	B
25	A

## April 2024

Week commencing

01	B
08	A
15	B
22	A
29	B

## May 2024

Week commencing

06	A
13	B
20	A
27	B

## June 2024

Week commencing

03	A
10	B
17	A
24	B

## July 2024

Week commencing

01	A
08	B
15	A
22	B
29	A

## August 2024

Week commencing

05	B
12	A
19	B
26	A

## September 2024

Week commencing

02	B
09	A
16	B
23	A
30	B

\* Collections over the festive period will change and may take place up to four days later than usual.

# Welcome to your GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE



Contact Merton: [merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste) 020 8274 4902



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## YOUR collection service explained

**Thank you for subscribing to our garden waste collection service.** The service is operated by Veolia on behalf of Merton Council. Your subscription entitles you to fortnightly collections for a 12-month period (26 collections in total).

Your subscription includes the hire of a 240-litre wheelie bin to contain your garden waste. If you have renewed your subscription you can continue to use your existing bin(s). If you are a new subscriber, you should have received your new bin(s).

The subscription fee pays for the service and the bins remain the property of Merton Council. You can read the full terms and conditions of the service at [merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste) or request a copy to be sent to you by calling 020 8274 4902.



## YOUR questions answered

### What day will my garden waste be collected on?

Please refer to the calendar on the back page of this leaflet or check online at [merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste). Your garden waste collection day is unlikely to be the same day as your household waste.

### What happens to my garden waste?

Your garden waste is sent to an industrial composting facility in the south of England. The compost produced is used on farms as a soil improver.

### Can I put additional garden waste out next to my bin(s) or branded sacks?

No. Only garden waste that is contained within your bin(s) with the lid closed or branded sacks will be collected. You can pay for additional bins or take your excess garden waste for free to the local tip.

### When does my subscription begin?

If you are a new subscriber, your subscription starts on the day of your first collection. If you are an existing subscriber, it starts on your renewal date. Please refer to the letter that accompanies this leaflet or you can check online at [merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://merton.gov.uk/gardenwaste)

### Can I share with my neighbour?

Yes. If you would like to share a garden waste wheelie bin, that's fine. However the membership will be associated with one property (the one that paid the subscription fee) and the bin will have to be presented outside this property on collection day.

## MATERIALS accepted

You can use your garden waste collection service to dispose of a wide range of organic materials. In order for us to turn your garden waste into high quality compost, we need your help to keep certain materials out of the waste stream.

### YES PLEASE



Grass and hedge clippings



Leaves



Plants



Small branches



Weeds  
(not Japanese Knotweed)



Twigs and sticks



Fallen fruit



Cut flowers and house plants

### NO THANKS



Bags or sacks



Bricks, rubble or soil



Plastic plant pots and containers



Large branches  
(over 22cm in diameter)



Japanese Knotweed



Wire, string, plastic or metal



Animal bedding



Food waste