

How to use your food caddy



Food waste recycling

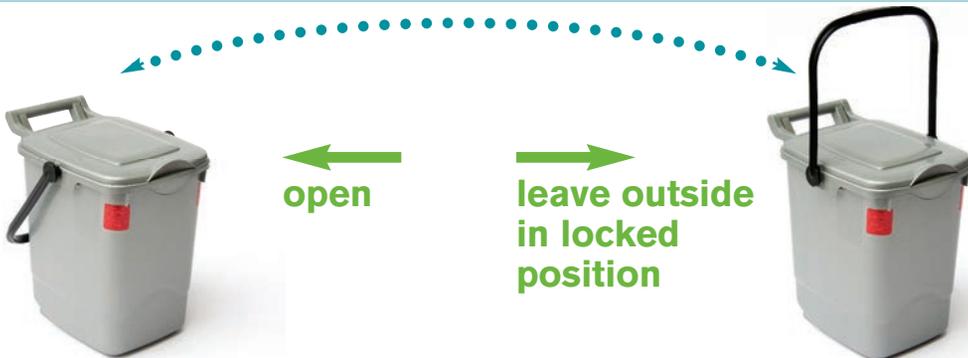
It really makes a difference



1 Line your caddy with a compostable liner or newspaper and fill it with food waste. Please do not use plastic bags as these aren't biodegradable.



2 When it is full tie the liner and put it in your own food bin or communal food bin. Remember to empty and clean your caddy regularly.



3 Leave your food waste bin outside with the handle upright (to keep it secure from animals) by 6am on your refuse collection day.



A third of waste in an average household bin is food. By recycling food waste you reduce the amount incinerated which is much kinder to the environment.

Food waste recycling

What can you put in your caddy?

What happens to your recycled food waste?

After we collect your food waste we take it to be recycled into compost locally which is then used by farmers and gardeners in the area.

Tips to make it clean and easy

To keep your food caddy clean, regularly empty it into your outside food bin and use a compostable liner.

If needed you can always put your food caddy into your dishwasher or give it a rinse after washing up. We empty your outside food bin weekly and it has a lockable lid which stops smells getting out and any animals getting in.

Where can you buy caddy liners?

You can buy compostable liners from many local shops and supermarkets. For a complete list of stockists visit www.lewes.gov.uk/foodrecycling

Alternatively you can line your caddy with newspaper.



What if I don't produce much food waste?

No amount of food waste is too small to recycle. You could start with just used tea bags and coffee granules. If you compost your food waste you can still put dairy, meat bones, fish, and cooked food into your food bin.

Collections

Your food waste will be collected at the same time as your refuse collection. Please put your food waste bin, with the handle in the upright position, at the edge of your property next to your refuse bins or bags by 6am.



To join our food recycling service visit www.lewes.gov.uk/foodrecycling or call 01273 471600

You can put any raw or cooked food in your caddy. You can even put uneaten food from your plates and dishes straight into your caddy.

Yes please

- ✓ Meat and fish – raw and cooked including bones.
- ✓ Fruit and vegetables – raw and cooked.
- ✓ All dairy products such as eggs and cheese.
- ✓ Bread, cakes and pastries.
- ✓ Rice, pasta and beans.
- ✓ Uneaten food from your plates and dishes.
- ✓ Tea bags and coffee grounds.



dairy



fish



fruit & vegetables



meat & bones



bread & pastries



tea & coffee grounds

No thanks

Please do not put any of these materials in your caddy.

If in doubt visit our website to find out.

- ✗ Packaging of any sort
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Hot oil or liquid fat
- ✗ Liquids

Our waste operatives sometimes use **refuse bins** to carry food waste back to the truck before it goes in the **food waste compartment**

