

## Tricks and tips

### Do you already have a transfer container?

To make it easier to collect your organic kitchen waste, you can use a small transfer container.

Simply keep it in the kitchen, and whenever you have any organic waste, place it in the container. You can then empty that container every day into your large brown bin. It is easy to keep the container clean – just rinse it with water.

When you use the transfer container, you avoid using disposable bags and help collect organic waste more effectively.



### Is there liquid at the bottom of the bin?

To absorb any liquid substances at the bottom of your brown bin or transfer container, you can use:

- Leftover stale bread
- A piece of newspaper
- A paper bag (only if used as waste bags for organic waste)

### Not accepted

In accordance with current regulations, plastic bags, biodegradable or otherwise, may not be used for the collection of organic waste.

### Unpleasant odours?

The City of Luxembourg also provides a bin-cleaning service.

You can request that your bins be cleaned by scanning the QR code below and submitting the relevant form.



### Collection at the Resource Centre.

Surplus garden waste and grass clippings (separate containers) can always be dropped off for free at the Resource Centre, during opening hours and in line with current terms and conditions.

Quantities are limited to 1 m<sup>3</sup> per day, per household.

### Not accepted

Organic kitchen waste

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to all your organic waste

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## More info



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## Contact



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## What happens to the organic waste collected by the City?

Your organic waste is a valuable resource. It is a source of renewable energy and of compost, which delivers nutrients back to the soil. The City collects your organic waste and transports it to the Minett-Kompost intermunicipal syndicate in Mondercange.

There, the organic waste from the brown bin is treated by methanisation – a process that converts organic waste into biogas and compost. Organic kitchen waste and grass clippings are essential for producing biogas, while other garden waste serves as structural material. The residue from the methanisation process is then recovered as compost.

The brown bin is meant for organic kitchen waste and waste from minor gardening.

Garden waste, other than grass clippings, that comes from large-scale gardening work, is collected separately upon request. It is then ground up and converted into compost or wood chips that can be burned for heat.

In this way, all organic waste serves its purpose and plays a role in the waste recovery process.



## Curbside collection

The City of Luxembourg belongs to the Minett-Kompost household waste management syndicate. It joined this syndicate primarily to **simplify waste sorting**. In the past, residents needed to think about what they could dispose of in the brown bin, but now, it is much easier when it comes to organic waste. **All organic waste** is now accepted – organic kitchen waste, garden waste and grass clippings.



### Organic kitchen waste

- leftover food (meat, fish, cheese)
- leftover fruit and vegetables
- tea or coffee grounds
- shellfish shells
- eggshells



### Garden waste and grass clippings

- branches and woody garden waste NEW
- bush, hedge and shrub cuttings NEW
- perennial/shrubby flowers and plants
- grasses and weeds
- leaves
- grass clippings
- potting soil (without pots)



### Not accepted

- bags, packaging and other items made out of biodegradable plastic
- sanitary towels/tampons
- coffee capsules
- ash
- cat litter

### ! New

Additional bins may not be placed next to the brown bin! Only organic waste placed directly in the special bins provided by the City for regular curbside collection will be picked up.



## How to order your brown bin

The brown bin is emptied once a week. Additional collections are available on request.

If you own a building that is not managed by a management company or property manager, you may order your brown bin directly by scanning the QR code opposite and submitting the relevant form.

If the building is managed by a management company or property manager, bins may not be ordered by an individual owner or tenant; they must be ordered by the building's management company.



## Garden waste collection on request

To efficiently and easily collect garden waste which is too bulky for the brown bin, the City of Luxembourg has a system for collection of loose waste on request. To book a collection, email us at [hygiene@vdl.lu](mailto:hygiene@vdl.lu). For more information, please phone **4796-3640**.

### Accepted

- branches and woody garden waste
- bush, hedge and shrub cuttings
- perennial/shrubby flowers and plants
- grasses and weeds
- leaves

### Not accepted

Grass clippings are collected in the City's brown bins during curbside collection. Any seasonal surplus of grass clippings that exceeds the capacity of your brown bins may be dropped off at the Resource Centre.

Garden waste must be placed in open containers or bags. Branches, shrubs and hedge cuttings must be gathered in easy-to-handle bunches.

Bags, containers and bunches may weigh no more than **25 kg** each, and bunches may not be longer than **1.5 m**.

### ! New

Garden waste collection on request is a paid service. The base price is **€10** for a collection up to **200 kg**. A surcharge of €0.10 per kilo will be added for each additional kilo.