

Frequently Asked Questions

Why do I need to sort properly?

In Nova Scotia you are required by law to sort your waste. The Pictou County Solid Waste-Resource Management Bylaw states that non-compliance of this regulation may result in rejection of materials.

Our bin is overflowing, what do we do?

Please contact your landlord about this issue.

Can I use plastic compostable/biodegradable bags to line my organics bin?

No plastic is allowed in the green cart even if it is labelled "biodegradable" or "compostable". Paper bin liners only.

Contact Us

Pictou County Solid Waste Management Facility

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Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday: 8 AM - 4 PM

Saturday: 8 AM - 12 PM

Month of May only:

Saturday: 8 AM - 4 PM

Sorting It Out: A Tenant's Guide to Waste Management



**PICTOU COUNTY
SOLID WASTE**

reduce • reuse • recycle



Tenant Responsibilities

As a tenant, you are responsible for:

1. Sorting all of your household waste (for sorting guides and other useful information visit www.pcwastemgmt.com)
2. Placing all waste in the appropriate location for collection
3. Complying with waste sorting rules in Pictou County

Set Up for Success

1. Make sure you have blue bags, clear bags and paper compost bags in your apartment.
2. Have a sorting guide on-hand and make sure you understand the sorting requirements in Pictou County
3. Learn about what to do with the 'recycling extras' that cannot be placed in the bin. For example, electronics, hazardous waste, and textiles.

Landlord Responsibilities

It is your landlord's responsibility to provide the necessary facilities, bins, storage, and information to you. All apartment buildings in Nova Scotia are required by law to provide separate bins for organics, recyclables, and garbage.

Meet with your landlord to learn about what systems are in place for sorting your waste.



Need Help?

We're happy to help you figure out 'What Goes Where'! Our educator can provide you with all the information and tools necessary to sort your waste properly! Call us at (902) 396-1495 to speak with our educator.

Common Mistakes

Black Bags:

Black bags are not accepted for collection and will cause your garbage to be rejected.

Contaminated Bags:

Blue bags that are mixed with plastic and paper cannot be accepted. Paper and plastic must be in separate bags. Garbage bags with recyclables or food cannot be accepted. All material must be sorted.

Loose/Bulky Material:

Loose materials will not be collected. All items must be in the appropriate bags. Bulky items (mattresses, TVs etc.) are not accepted for pick-up and must be dropped off to the appropriate site for disposal.