

How to manage your waste if you or someone in your house has symptoms of COVID-19

If you or anyone in your household has or suspects that they have the virus – the [Government's self-isolation guidance](#) should be followed and you should not visit the Household Waste Recycling Centre.

If your household has been affected by Covid-19, any waste materials that anyone in that household has come in contact with, will need to be handled carefully before they are collected to help prevent further spread of the virus. Outlined below are key steps;

1. All contaminated items produced, including tissues, cleaning cloths and wipes and masks, need to be put into a plastic bag. Tie the top of the bag to prevent escape of the material
2. Put the bag inside another bin liner and tie the top of the bag.
3. Keep the bagged waste for a period of 72 hours in a place that cannot be accessed by other people or pets.
4. Put the bag in your black wheelie bin for safe collection by our collection crew. The bagged waste must be contained in your wheeled bin and the bin put out in your normal collection point.
5. If you have an assisted collection, bag the waste as described above, and put it out in your usual assisted collection point in your wheeled bin.

To help us ensure that our recycling stays as clean as possible, please do not place any tissues, kitchen roll or wipes in the brown recycling bin. For a full list of [what can and cannot be recycled](#)

For more information about cleaning and disposing of waste visit gov.uk

