Waste Calendar

Don't know which week it is?

Here are your new recycling and rubbish collection dates for the first half of 2012.

Dates for the second half of the year will appear in our summer issue of Outlook in July.

To see how your collections will change when there's a bank holiday, please see page 3.

Green week = food waste, recycling and garden waste

Green week = food waste and recycling, but NO GARDEN WASTE

Grey week = food waste and rubbish

Extra garden waste will be collected from brown bin customers

A circle indicates a bank holiday week (please see page 3 for details of how your service will change)

DECEMBER 2011

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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JANUARY 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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FEBRUARY 2012

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MARCH 2012

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APRIL 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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MAY 2012

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JUNE 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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JULY 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2011 2012 2013

For more information about collections or to report a missed collection or missing bin please contact our waste contractors Biffa on 03000 610610 or admin.southoxford@biffa.co.uk

Christmas waste

Please recycle as much of your Christmas waste as possible.

Wrapping paper, plastic packaging, carrier bags, crackers, greeting cards and cardboard can all go in your green recycling bin, along with empty food or drink bottles, cans, cartons and foil.

To help create more space in your bin please flatten any boxes or packaging, and remove the tops from bottles and squash those down.

But don't worry if you create more recycling and fill your green bin, you can put extra recycling out for collection next to your bin in clear sacks, carrier bags or cardboard boxes.

For a reminder of what you can recycle, and for information about how to dispose of your Christmas tree, see our website www.southoxon.gov.uk

Garden waste collections over Christmas

There will be no brown bin collections from garden waste customers over the Christmas holidays as per your terms and conditions.

This is so crews can concentrate on collecting the extra household waste during this period when there's very little garden waste. This year there will be no garden waste collections between Wednesday 28 December and Tuesday 3 January. Collections will start again on Tuesday 10 January. We will however collect extra garden waste during the week of 19 March. The extra waste should be no more than an extra brown bin load, should be able to be lifted by one person and should be in either a sturdy box or bag, which must be left open.

What happens if collections are disrupted?

Occasionally bad weather such as snow or flooding can mean it is unsafe for our waste vehicles or their crews to be on the roads and pavements and we have to cancel collections.

If collections are cancelled we will let people know by issuing regular updates on our website www.southoxon.gov.uk and to our waste text subscribers, as well as via the local media and parish councils in the district. You can also call 03000 610610 to get the latest information. If collections are cancelled crews will pick up any extra rubbish or recycling the next time this waste is due to be collected.

Waste Q&A

When's my collection?

Find out by visiting www.southoxon.gov.uk/collectiondays or calling 03000 610610.

Sacks instead of bins?

You should have a new supply of sacks for 2012 (please call 03000 610610 if you haven't received them yet). Please follow the calendar, and if it's a green week put out your green recycling sacks and a grey week your pink rubbish sacks.

Need help putting your rubbish or recycling out?

If you have difficulties due to a disability, illness or infirmity, email waste.team@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01491 823416.

Got extra recycling?

You can put extra recycling out next to your green bin in clear or opaque sacks, carrier bags or cardboard boxes.

Need to report a missed collection?

Call 03000 610610 or email admin.southoxford@biffa.co.uk by 5pm the following day.

Want a free reminder if collections change?

You can get free text message reminders when collections change due to bank holidays or bad weather. To register send a text with the word waste and your collection day (for example waste Monday) to 07797 870370.

A huge thank you to you all for recycling so much of your waste every week. As a result of your hard work the council was named the top recycling authority in England in an independent survey after it recycled or composted 70.56 per cent of its waste in 2010/11. Thanks again and keep up the good work in 2012 so we can hold onto our number one spot!

Bank holiday waste collection changes

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Christmas and New Year bank holidays 2011/12

Normal collection day	Revised collection	Which bin
Monday 26 December	Wednesday 28 December ✗	Recycling
Tuesday 27 December	Thursday 29 December ✗	Recycling
Wednesday 28 December	Friday 30 December ✗	Recycling
Thursday 29 December	Saturday 31 December* ✗	Recycling
Friday 30 December	Tuesday 3 January ✗	Recycling
Monday 2 January	Wednesday 4 January	Rubbish
Tuesday 3 January	Thursday 5 January	Rubbish
Wednesday 4 January	Friday 6 January	Rubbish
Thursday 5 January	Saturday 7 January*	Rubbish
Friday 6 January	Monday 9 January	Rubbish
Monday 9 January	Tuesday 10 January ✓	Recycling
Tuesday 10 January	Wednesday 11 January ✓	Recycling
Wednesday 11 January	Thursday 12 January ✓	Recycling
Thursday 12 January	Friday 13 January ✓	Recycling
Friday 13 January	Saturday 14 January* ✓	Recycling

Easter bank holidays 2012

Normal collection day	Revised collection	Which bin
Friday 6 April	Saturday 7 April *	Recycling
Monday 9 April	Tuesday 10 April	Rubbish
Tuesday 10 April	Wednesday 11 April	Rubbish
Wednesday 11 April	Thursday 12 April	Rubbish
Thursday 12 April	Friday 13 April	Rubbish
Friday 13 April	Saturday 14 April *	Rubbish

✓ Brown bins will be collected from garden waste customers

✗ No brown bin collections

May/June bank holidays 2012

Normal collection day	Revised collection	Which bin
Monday 7 May	Tuesday 8 May	Rubbish
Tuesday 8 May	Wednesday 9 May	Rubbish
Wednesday 9 May	Thursday 10 May	Rubbish
Thursday 10 May	Friday 11 May	Rubbish
Friday 11 May	Saturday 12 May *	Rubbish
Monday 4 June	Tuesday 5 June	Rubbish
Tuesday 5 June	Wednesday 6 June	Rubbish
Wednesday 6 June	Thursday 7 June	Rubbish
Thursday 7 June	Friday 8 June	Rubbish
Friday 8 June	Saturday 9 June *	Rubbish

* Please note any Saturday collections will start from 6am, an hour earlier than usual, so remember to put your bins out the night before.

Crews will be working on the Queen's Diamond Jubilee bank holiday on Tuesday 5 June but not the day before Monday 4 June. This means collections will run a day later than normal this week - please check the table above for details of revised collections that week.

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