

2025 RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

FIBRES – paper & cardboard

COMMINGLE – Plastic & Cans

January '25

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April '25

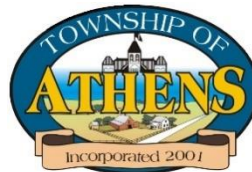
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June '25

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*** Notice of upcoming changes to our blue box program. ***

In June 2021, the Province of Ontario released the Blue Box Regulation to shift the financial and operational responsibility of recycling from municipalities to the organizations that produce packaging, paper and packaging-like products.

The Village Curbside Collection program will transition to a new collection system on July 1, 2025. There should be no change to the residential collection schedule. There will be a new contractor picking up your blue box materials. Curbside garbage collection will not be affected.

The Municipality will be providing updates on our website and additional information will be available on our July – December 2025 collection calendar.

TOWNSHIP OF ATHENS RECYCLING GUIDE

BLUE BOX TIPS

- ❖ Set out your recycle bin on time, before 7 am on collection day.
- ❖ Clean Materials Recycle Better. Empty and rinse containers before they go into your blue box.
- ❖ Keep Unacceptable items out. Wrong materials will contaminate your recycling
- ❖ Sort your recycling. Materials should be loose and cardboard flat.

METAL CONTAINERS

Acceptable Items - Ensure all containers are cleaned

- Aluminum & Steel Cans
- Metal Lids

Garbage Items – *No longer Recyclable*

- Paper Cans with Metal Ends — frozen juice, pringle cans
- Paint cans

PAPER & CARDBOARD

Acceptable Items

- Ensure Paper & Cardboard are clean and dry
- Newspapers, Flyers & Junk Mail
- Magazines, Envelopes & Printer Paper
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Boxboard: Cereal & Cracker Boxes
- Moving Boxes

Garbage Items – *No longer Recyclable*

- Dirty Wet Cardboard pizza boxes
- Waxed Cardboard — Paper Milk & Juice Carton
- Waxed Freezer Boxes
- Gift Wrapping Paper
- Paper Coffee Cups
- Large cardboard tubes

PLASTIC

Acceptable Items - Ensure all containers are cleaned

- Bottles – soda, water, shampoo, ketchup, salad dressings,
- Laundry soap bottles (not black)
- Jars – peanut butter, honey, mayonnaise
- Tubs & Lids – yogurt & margarine
- Milk Jugs/Containers

Garbage Items – Items with #3, #4, #6 – *No longer*

- To-Go / Take-Out Containers
- Fruit & Vegetable Containers
- Film Plastic & Plastic Bags
- Storage Totes, Toolboxes & Toys
- Styrofoam — meat trays, egg cartons, cups & plates
- Black Plastic
- Toolboxes
- Clamshells — bakery cookies, strawberries etc.
- Hangers
- Rigid Packaging
- Laundry Baskets
- Bubble Wrap
- Motor oil containers