

MORE INFORMATION ON WASTE SORTING AND  
ECO-RECYCLING POINT LOCATIONS ON THE WEB  
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**ILOMANTSI WASTE STATION**  
Hatelotie 3, 82900 Ilomantsi  
Open: Mon at 9–13 and Thu 15–19  
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**KONTIOLAHTI WASTE STATION**  
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with You.*

# HOUSEHOLDS

## WASTE SORTING GUIDE

*Thank you for sorting waste!*

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## CHECK FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE



Hazardous waste contains substances that may be detrimental or hazardous to people and the environment, even in small amounts.

The most important requirement for the recovery and safe treatment of wastes are that hazardous waste is sorted from other wastes and delivered to a reception station established for hazardous waste.

Your waste management company provides each partner community with reception stations for receiving domestic and agricultural waste.

## SOIL ENRICHMENT AND ENERGY FROM BIO-WASTE

Compost provides good soil enrichment for gardens. Separately collected bio-waste is composted industrially or is treated in the biogas facility. Biogas is turned into district heat and electricity. The end product is also suitable for fertiliser.

## FROM WASTE TO RAW MATERIAL

Properly sorted recoverable waste can be used for manufacturing new products. For example, paper is used for producing catalogue and newspaper paper, carton is turned into corrugated cardboard and packaging carton, glass is used for manufacturing new glass packages, and metal for producing metal packages and new metal products. Plastic packages serve as raw material for manufacturing recycled plastic products, such as plastic sacks, plastic bags and plastic profiles for various purposes. Read more about sorting and utilisation of packaging waste at [www.rinkiin.fi/for-households](http://www.rinkiin.fi/for-households).

## FROM WASTE TO ENERGY

Waste that cannot be recycled as material for new products is utilised in district heat and electricity production at Riikinvoima Eco-Power Plant.



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Acute toxic



Flammable



Chronic  
health hazard



Environmental  
hazards



Gases under  
pressure



Oxidizing



Corrosive



Health hazard



Explosive



# WHAT SORTS OF WASTE DO YOU RECYCLE EVERY DAY?

## TAKE TO THE CONTAINER FOR RECYCLABLE WASTE PROVIDED ON THE PREMISES OR TO AN ECO-RECYCLING POINT

Find your nearest  
eco-recycling point:  
[www.kierratys.info](http://www.kierratys.info)

### PAPER

- Newspapers and magazines
- Ads and other junk mail
- Envelopes
- Copying paper
- Phone directories and books



Put paper into the collection bin loose. Staples or paper clips do not need to be removed.

### CARTON

- Milk and juice cartons
- Biscuit boxes, flour bags, pizza boxes
- Wrappings of beverage packages
- Cardboard boxes



Rinse out dirty packages. Flatten out and pack tightly.

### GLASS

- Glass jars
- Non-refundable glass bottles

Rinse out bottles and jars, remove corks and lids. It is not necessary to remove labels or bottle collars.



### TEXTILES

- Clothes
- Shoes
- Home textiles and soft furnishings



Only undamaged and clean textiles, packed in closed bags. Textiles unfit for use should be disposed of amongst combustible waste.

### METAL

- Metal cans, metal caps and lids
- Aluminium foil
- Metal cups from tea lights and outdoor candles
- Empty and dried up paint tins
- Small quantities of other household metal



Only clean and empty packages and cans. Take large-size metal junk to the waste centre or the waste station.

### PLASTIC PACKAGES

- Plastic food packages, such as yoghurt cups and cold cuts and cheese packages
- Detergent and shampoo bottles
- Plastic bottles, canisters and containers
- Plastic carriers, bags and wrappings



Only clean and dry packages. Throw dirty packages into combustible waste.

Find more information about sorting of packages: [www.rinkiin.fi/for-households](http://www.rinkiin.fi/for-households)



## TAKE TO A COMPOSTER OR COLLECTION CONTAINER FOR BIO-WASTE

### BIO-WASTE

- Food leftovers
- Fruit and vegetable skins
- Coffee grounds, tea bags
- Kitchen paper
- Potting soil, plants



Drain liquids. Pack bio-waste before throwing it into the collection container; don't use plastic for packing.

## TAKE TO A CONTAINER OF COMBUSTIBLE WASTE

### COMBUSTIBLE WASTE

- Plastics and expanded polystyrene (EPS)
- Dirty cardboards, papers and plastic packages
- Gift wraps and wrapping papers
- Hygiene products
- Clothing unfit for use, footwear, home textiles and soft furnishings
- Dust bags and waste from normal household cleaning
- Cigarette ends and ash
- Chewing gum
- Pet litter
- Small-size wood-based waste

Waste that cannot be recycled as material for new products is combustible waste.

Combustible waste is utilised in district heat and electricity production at Eco-Power-Plant.

## SORT CORRECTLY AND TAKE TO A COLLECTION POINT

### HAZARDOUS WASTE

Take domestic hazardous waste to Kontiosuo Waste Centre or a Waste Station, free of charge.

- Remnants of liquid paint, glue and varnish (not hardened); also in aerosol cans
- Solvents such as turpentine, thinner and acetone
- New Year's tin and lead
- Batteries from vehicles and power tools
- Used oils, oily wastes (e.g. cotton waste) and oil filters
- Plant-protective agents and pesticides along with their packages
- Wood-protective liquids and impregnating agents
- Toxicants and disinfectants



### ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT

Take electric equipment to the sales outlets when buying a new device or to Kontiosuo Waste Centre, a Waste Station or other reception station, accepted by the producer associations, free of charge for households

- All plug-in or battery-operated devices
- Refrigerators, freezers, TV-sets, computers
- Vacuum cleaners, coffee machines, phones, radios
- Fluorescent tubes, energy saving bulbs, LED lamps



### BATTERIES AND SMALL RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

Take batteries and small rechargeable batteries to their sales outlets, free of charge for households



- Put some sticky tape on the power poles both for button cells and other lithium batteries and accumulators with an LI marking as a prefix.
- Seal leaking batteries in a plastic bag.

### PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE

Take pharmaceutical waste to a pharmacy, free of charge for households

- Tablets in their own blister foil packs or loose in transparent bags
- Pharmaceuticals containing iodine and chemotherapeutic drugs in their own packaging
- Liquid medicines, ointments, creams and spray bottles in their own packages
- Mercury thermometers in packages
- Hypodermic needles and syringes in packages

