






PACKAGING SYMBOLS EXPLAINED

Not everything that has a symbol on it can be recycled or composted and there is still confusion over what they mean.

Below is a quick guide to what you may encounter on packaging, what they mean and, more importantly, how you dispose of them correctly.

Icon:	Explanation:
	If the item is clean and has this logo on, it can be recycled in your green bin e.g. plastic bottles
	Items with this logo cannot be recycled in your green bin and need to go in your black bin e.g. black plastic
	Items with this logo need to go to the carrier bag recycling bins in supermarkets e.g. bread bags or thin film. Do not put them in your green bin.
	These are three new logos for items that can be refilled either at home or in store or returned to the place of purchase
	Items with this logo need to be put into a Terracycle bin. Check for your nearest at www.terracycle.com/en-GB Do not put them in your green bin.



Items with this logo are not necessarily recyclable – please check first.

The symbol is used in Europe to say that the producer has contributed towards packaging recycling.



“Compostable” - this indicates that an item can be composted, but **only through industrial methods** such as In-Vessel Composting (IVC) or Anaerobic Digestion (AD).

Do not put into your home compost bin or brown garden waste bin.



“Mobius Loop” indicates the item is capable of being recycled, but please check on our website first to see if we can take it before putting in your green bin.

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“Home Compostable” - this indicates that this product can be composted at home.



This identifies the type of plastic resin used to make the item. It does not indicate if the item can be recycled, so please check on our website before putting in your green bin.

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	<p>This symbol indicates that the item is made of aluminium, which can be recycled in your green bin.</p>
	<p>This symbol asks that you recycle the item in a glass bank. Alternatively, please recycle in your green bin.</p>
	<p>This symbol means that the item is made of steel, which can be recycled in your green bin.</p>
	<p>“Waste Electronic & Electrical Equipment (WEEE)” – this symbol explains that you should not put electrical items in any bin. Please take to your local Household Recycling Centre; these can be found on www.letswasteless.com</p>