During the festive period, your recycling and refuse collections may take place on different days. Check our calendar below – and read on for tips on how to recycle more this Christmas!

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Collections will resume normal service on Monday 15 January 2018.

All refuse and recycling should be out for collection by 6am over Christmas and New Year. Please note collections may take place up to one day later than shown.

There will be NO garden or bulk collections for two weeks; week commencing 25/12/17 and week commencing 01/01/18. Check when your garden waste will be collected over the festive period: www.ashford.gov.uk/christmas-collection-dates
Recycling at Christmas and New Year!

Not sure which bin festive items go into? Check our handy guide below:

**Green recycling bin**
- Christmas cards
- Tin foil and foil serving trays
- Champagne, wine, beer and alcohol bottles/cans
- Paper wrapping paper
- Christmas crackers
- Cardboard boxes
- Soft drink containers
- Sweet/biscuit tins

**Grey refuse bin**
- Tinsel
- Polystyrene
- Broken decorations
- Foil wrapping paper
- Bubble wrap, plastic packaging
- Champagne and wine corks

**Food caddy**
- Leftovers
- Turkey carcass

*Visit [www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com) for handy recipes for those festive leftovers!

**Don’t forget!**
Put those broken Christmas lights or any electrical decorations or items in a plastic carrier bag on top of your refuse bin, and we will take them away!

Ashford’s Household Waste and Recycling Centre in Brunswick Road, Cobbs Wood Industrial Estate will be open every day except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year’s Day.
Christmas tree recycling

If you aren’t keeping your living tree, please take it to Ashford’s Household Waste and Recycling Centre in Cobbs Wood Industrial Estate for recycling.

If you subscribe to our garden recycling service, you can place your cut up living tree in your brown wheeled bin and we will collect it. To sign up to our fortnightly garden recycling collection service visit [www.ashford.gov.uk/gardenrecycling](http://www.ashford.gov.uk/gardenrecycling)

Or why not support Pilgrims Hospices by signing up to their Tree Recycling fundraising campaign?

Their service will cover the whole borough on 13 and 14 January, when residents can have their tree collected in return for a donation of their choice. What better way to support your local hospice this festive season!

To register, visit [www.pilgrimshospices.org/treecycling](http://www.pilgrimshospices.org/treecycling) or call 01233 504111.

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Garden recycling and bulky item collections

Please note, as stated on your garden recycling collection calendars there will be **NO garden waste or bulky item collections over the festive period**; week commencing 25 December 2017 and 1 January 2018.

These collections will resume on Monday 8 January 2018.

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Clinical collections

During the festive period, your clinical collections will take place on different days. Please refer to the calendar.

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WORRIED about WASTE?

Why not try our Wheel of Waste? Simply twist the wheel to find out which bin many household items should be disposed in. Email streetscene@ashford.gov.uk to request a free copy.

Remember!

- Dark plastic food trays, crisp packets and plastic/carrier bags should be placed in your grey refuse bin
- Please flatten cardboard boxes and plastic bottles to maximise space in your green recycling bin
- Food waste packaging should be emptied of its contents and rinsed before placing in your green recycling bin
- Your bin lids must close completely on collection day
- Please place sanitary waste in your grey refuse bin
- Don’t use plastic bags in your green or brown bins
- We cannot collect any side refuse next to your grey bin – make sure you are recycling everything you can

For more recycling tips and advice visit: www.ashford.gov.uk/waste