

Tips for Collecting Kitchen Scraps

You can collect food scraps and food-soiled paper in kitchen containers such as:



- Empty milk cartons – fill and put in cart
- Used paper bags or
- A reusable plastic container with a tight fitting lid – Empty into yard waste cart and reuse. **Do not put plastic of any kind in your cart.**

Food scraps will not be accepted in any containers except the cart provided by Waste Management.

To avoid odor and fruit flies, you can:

- Empty food scraps into the yard waste cart daily.
- Rinse kitchen container and yard waste cart frequently.
- Line kitchen container with a used paper bag or towel.
- Sprinkle baking soda in kitchen container.
- Layer shredded paper, food scraps and yard waste in your cart.

More help with odors or flies: The Natural Lawn and Garden Hotline: **206-633-0224** or info@lawnandgardenhotline.org.

Yard and food waste is collected weekly March-November and every other week December-February from carts provided by Waste Management. Visit www.wmnorthwest.com/kingco for your winter yard waste schedule or to sign up for service.

Extra Yard Waste

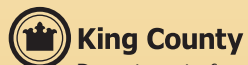
Put yard waste (**no food scraps**) that doesn't fit in the cart in any of these:

- 32-gal. cans with handles and lids.
 - Label cans "yard waste".
 - Weight limit 60 lbs.
 - Put yard waste in loosely.
 - Kraft paper yard waste bags.
- Bundles (*Limit 4'x 2'*). Tie yard waste with fiber twine. **No wire, nylon or plastic cord. No plastic bags.**



Where Does Yard Waste Go?

Yard and food waste is processed into compost and sold at home and garden stores. Visit www.cedar-grove.com for more information.



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206-296-4466, 1-800-325-6165, ext. 6-4466
TTY Relay: 711, www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/swd



NEW!

Yard waste customers can now put food waste in the yard cart at no extra cost!

Food scraps and food-soiled paper make up more than 30% of residential garbage!

Now you can recycle fruit, vegetables, meat, dairy, and food-soiled paper with yard trimmings in the yard waste cart provided by Waste Management.

Look inside this brochure for information on recycling food scraps and food-soiled paper in your yard waste cart.



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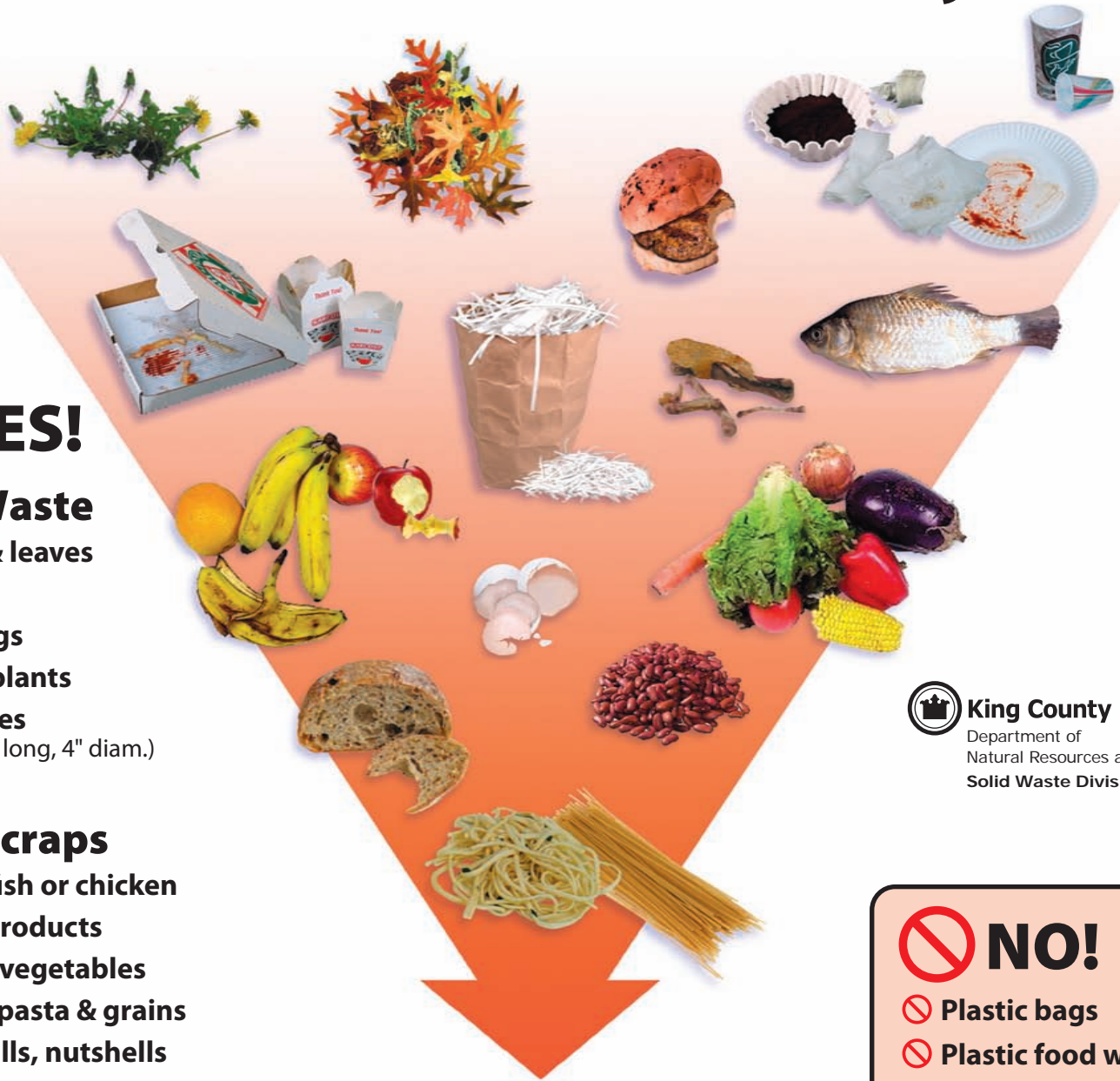
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Not a Yard Waste Customer?

Subscribe to curbside yard waste service:
www.wmnorthwest.com/kingco
1-800-592-9995

This notice will be provided in alternate formats upon request.

Yard and Food Waste Recycling










YES!









Yard Waste

-  Grass & leaves
-  Weeds
-  Prunings
-  Houseplants
-  Branches
(under 4' long, 4" diam.)

Food Scraps

-  Meat, fish or chicken
-  Dairy products
-  Fruit & vegetables
-  Bread, pasta & grains
-  Eggshells, nutshells
-  Coffee grounds & filters
-  Tea bags

Food-Soiled Paper

-  Paper towels & napkins
-  Paper plates & cups
-  Paper food wrap
-  Paper take-out cartons
-  Greasy pizza boxes
-  Milk cartons containing food scraps
-  Paper bags containing food scraps
-  Shredded paper

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NO!

-  Plastic bags
-  Plastic food wrap
-  Plastic containers
-  Styrofoam
-  Metal, glass
-  Grease or liquids
-  Diapers
-  Pet litter or waste
-  Soil, rocks
-  Stumps
-  Branches over 4'X4"
-  Lumber or fencing
-  Hazardous waste

