

Guide to King County recycling and transfer facilities



Garbage Disposal

King County operates 8 transfer stations, 2 drop boxes, and the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill. Our facilities are open to residential self haulers that live or work within King County's service area. Please use this guide for information on accepted materials and location information.

When using our facilities:

- Follow directions from staff
- Keep children and pets in vehicle
- No smoking
- Read and follow advisory signs
- Watch for moving vehicles
- Use extreme caution
- Turn off your cell phone while driving

Recycling & Yard Waste



Use this guide to see which locations accept recycling and information on specific materials.



King County

Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Solid Waste Division

MATERIAL GUIDELINE KEY

				
Not accepted in garbage, must be recycled	Recycling available	Accepted in garbage	Accepted: See notes	Not accepted

	BOW LAKE	CEDAR FALLS	ENUMCLAW	FACTORIA	HOUGHTON	RENTON	SHORELINE	SKYKOMISH	SOUTH COUNTY	VASHON	HAZARDOUS WASTE: FACTORIA & SOUTH COUNTY
Appliances <i>Non-commercial refrigerant-type (Residential air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators, etc.)</i> Residential only. Must be empty. Limit 4 per visit. \$30 each appliance											
Appliances <i>Non-commercial major non-refrigerant type (Residential dishwashers, dryers, furnaces, stoves, washers, etc.)</i> Residential only. Must be empty. Limit 4 per visit. Dishwashers made of 50% or more plastic are not accepted for recycling but are accepted as garbage. \$0 to recycle											
Appliances <i>Small (blenders, irons, microwaves, etc.)</i> To recycle: Must be at least 50% metal. Must be empty. Put in metal bin. \$0 to recycle											
Asbestos ** Not accepted. Visit pscleanair.org for more information.											
Batteries <i>Vehicle, marine, rechargeable, button</i> Accepted at Factoria and South County Hazardous Waste Drop-off only. Combined total of 5 vehicle/marine batteries per vehicle load per day. \$0 at Hazardous Waste facilities											
Batteries <i>Household (alkaline AA, AAA, C, D, etc.)</i> \$0 at Hazardous Waste facilities											
Cans <i>Aluminum, steel, tin (place with glass bottles, paper, and plastic containers)</i> To recycle: Must be empty – no liquid or food. No bagged recyclables; keep them loose. \$0 to recycle											
Cardboard <i>Corrugated boxes</i> To recycle: Must be empty and flattened. No wax-coated or food-soiled cardboard. No Styrofoam™, polystyrene, or packing peanuts. \$0 to recycle											
Computers <i>Computers, laptops, monitors, tablets, e-readers, portable DVD players</i> Not accepted. Contact 1-800-732-9253, ecyclewashington.org for free recycling options.											
Construction and demolition (C&D) debris <i>Carpet, drywall, insulation, roofing, etc.</i> No dump vehicles or dump trailers (except at Vashon) unless C&D debris is less than 20% of the load. Item size limits apply. Garbage fee applies											
Dead animals <i>Up to 15 pounds</i> Larger than 15 pounds requires waste clearance.** Garbage fee applies											
Dirt <i>Soil or mud</i> Must be uncontaminated by diesel, gas, oil, human waste (i.e. septic), or other hazardous materials. Limit: One pickup truck load from residential customers only. Contaminated dirt requires a waste clearance.** Garbage fee applies											

** May be accepted at Cedar Hills Regional Landfill with prior approval known as a "waste clearance." Fees apply. Call 206-477-4466.

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Flags Contact VFW: 1-816-756-3390 or vfw.org . \$0 fee											
Fluorescent lights and other mercury-containing bulbs and tubes To recycle: Limit of 15 bulbs/tubes per vehicle per day. Broken bulbs must be sealed in a bag or box. No incandescent, halogen, or LED bulbs. For more recycling options visit lightrecycle.org . \$0 to recycle											
Glass bottles and jars To recycle: Place with cans, paper, and plastic containers. Must be empty – no liquid or food. No bagged recyclables; keep them loose. No ceramics, glassware, mirrors, light bulbs, or windows. No lids on glass bottles or jars. \$0 to recycle											
Glass windows, mirrors, etc. For reuse options visit kingcounty.gov/WhatDoDoWith . Garbage fee applies											
Hazardous Waste Usually labeled Caution, Warning, Danger, or Poison . <i>Includes thermometers and thermostats.</i> Accepted at Factoria and South County Hazardous Waste Drop-off only. No containers larger than 5 gallons. Households limited to 50 gallons a day. (Exception: 25 gallons maximum for gas, oil, and antifreeze). Visit kingcountyhazwastewa.gov for more information. \$0 at Factoria Hazardous Waste Drop-off											
Mattresses, futons, or box springs Combined total of 6 pieces per customer per day. More than 6 requires waste clearance.** To recycle at Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline, South County, Vashon: No wet mattresses. Torn or stained OK. Handling fee applies											
Metal Scrap (lawnmowers, BBQ grills, building/electrical/plumbing parts, microwaves, small appliances, bicycles, bicycle parts, etc.) Must be at least 50% metal. No paint cans, sealed drums, pressurized containers, concrete, or barbed wire. No ammunition or shell casings. Containers must be empty. Remove any fluids. \$0 to recycle											
Motor vehicles and major parts (with VIN numbers) Not accepted. Visit kingcounty.gov/WhatDoDoWith for options.											
Packing peanuts Must be bagged and securely tied. Garbage fee applies											
Paint Latex No liquid – must be solidified or dried out. Visit paintcare.org/wa for take-back locations. Garbage fee applies											

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Paint | Oil based

Accepted at Fectoria and South County Hazardous Waste Drop-off only. No containers larger than 5 gallons. Households limited to 50 gallons a day. Visit kingcountyhazwastewa.gov for more information.

\$0 at Hazardous Waste Drop-off facilities

Paper | Books, copy paper, junk mail, magazines, milk cartons, newspapers, etc. (place with cans, glass bottles, and plastic containers)

To recycle: No food-soiled or wet paper. No paper towels or napkins. Food and drink containers must be empty. No bagged recyclables; keep them loose. No shredded paper. **\$0 to recycle**

Plastic containers | Bottles, cups, jugs, etc.

To recycle: Place with cans, glass, bottles and paper. Must be empty – no liquid or food. No toxic product containers. No bagged recyclables; keep them loose.

\$0 to recycle

Plastic wrap | Bubble, pallet, shrink, stretch wrap; plastic "air" pillows and plastic bags (bread, dry cleaner, grocery, newspaper, produce, retail)

To recycle: Must be clean, dry, and empty. No food, liquid, candy or chip bags, black trash bags, biodegradable or compostable bags, pre-washed salad bags, labels, or tape. No commercial loads; residential only. Visit kingcounty.gov/plastic-bags-wrap for recycling options. **\$0 to recycle**

Printers, fax machines, scanners

For recycling options visit kingcounty.gov/takeitback. **Garbage fee applies**

Propane and other compressed gas tanks

Accepted at South County Hazardous Waste Drop-off only. No tank larger than 8 gallons. Limit: 5 tanks or cylinders, regardless of size. **\$0 at South County Hazardous Waste Drop-off**

Sharps | Home-generated only (needles, syringes, etc.)

Limit two 1.5 quart containers per visit. Accepted in designated bin. Must be in a puncture resistant, secured container labeled "sharps." No loose sharps. Commercially generated sharps accepted at Vashon and Cedar Hills Regional Landfill with a waste clearance.** Visit kingcounty.gov/WhatDoIDoWith for more information. **\$0 to recycle**

Styrofoam™ blocks and coolers | Sometimes called polystyrene

To recycle: Must be clean, dry, and empty. No packing peanuts. No food, liquid, food packaging, stickers, or tape. No commercial loads; residential only.

\$0 to recycle

Televisions

Not accepted. Contact 1-800-732-9253, ecyclewashington.org for free recycling options.

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Textiles | *Clothing, fabric, shoes, curtains, linens, pillows, stuffed animals, small throw rugs, etc.*

To recycle: Reusable and torn, worn, stained items accepted. Single shoes OK. No carpet or items that are wet, mildewed, or soiled with hazardous materials.

\$0 to recycle

Tires

Tires with rims OK. Limit 4 per customer. No large truck tires.

At Bow Lake, Factoria, Shoreline and South County: Put tires in tires bin.

Garbage fee applies

Wood | *Treated, painted, stained (railroad ties, etc.)*

No dump trucks or dump trailers (except at Vashon) unless the painted, stained, or treated wood is less than 20% of the load. **Garbage fee applies**

Wood (Clean) | *Unpainted, unstained, untreated (crates, lumber, pallets, particle board, plywood)*

To recycle: No yard waste such as branches, stumps, or wood rounds. No sod, soil, rocks, or plastic bags. No metal hinges or latches. No items longer than 8 feet. Mixed loads of garbage and wood will be charged the garbage fee. **Reduced fee if recycled**

Yard waste | *Branches, brush, grass, leaves, stumps, wood rounds, etc.*

To recycle: No sod, soil, rocks, or plastic bags. No items longer than 8 feet. Mixed loads of garbage and yard waste will be charged the garbage fee. No branches larger than 4 inches in diameter. **Reduced fee if recycled**

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King County Solid Waste Locations and Hours

Bow Lake Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/bowlake
18800 Orillia Rd S, Tukwila
Max vehicle length: 40 feet

Station Hours:
Monday-Thursday | Open 24 hours/day
Friday | 12:00am-11:30pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Recycling Area Hours:
Monday-Friday | 6:00am-8:00pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Cedar Falls Drop Box

kingcounty.gov/cedarfalls
16925 Cedar Falls Rd SE, North Bend
Max vehicle length: 30 feet
Max load size: 3 cubic yards

Tuesday & Thursday | Closed
Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday-Sunday | 9:00am-5:00pm

Enumclaw Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/enumclaw
1650 Battersby Ave E, Enumclaw
Max vehicle length: 40 feet
Open daily | 9:00am-5:00pm

Factoria Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/factoria
13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue
Max vehicle length: 40 feet
Monday-Friday | 6:30am-4:00pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Houghton Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/houghton
11724 NE 60th St, Kirkland
Max vehicle length: 25 feet
Monday-Friday | 8:00am-5:30pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Renton Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/renton
3021 NE 4th St, Renton
Max vehicle length: 25 feet
Monday-Friday | 7:30am-5:00pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Shoreline Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/shoreline
2300 N 165th St, Shoreline
Max vehicle length: 40 feet
Monday-Friday | 7:30am-5:00pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Skykomish Drop Box

kingcounty.gov/skykomish
74324 NE Old Cascade Hwy, Skykomish

Open daily
Winter | 8:00am-5:00pm
Summer (2nd Sunday in March until 1st Sunday in November)
9:00am-6:00pm

Restrictions: Load limit is three cubic yards (about the size of a pickup truck load). No hydraulic lift trailers or hydraulic lift vehicles. VISA, MasterCard, and King County Solid Waste Card only accepted at site; no cash.

South County Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/south-county
35101 West Valley Hwy, Algonia
Max vehicle length: 40 feet
Monday-Friday | 7:00am-4:30pm
Saturday-Sunday | 8:30am-5:30pm

Vashon Recycling & Transfer Station

kingcounty.gov/vashon
18900 Westside Hwy SW, Vashon
Max vehicle length: 45 feet
Tuesday & Thursday | Closed
Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday, Sunday | 9:00am-5:00pm

Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

Factoria Hazardous Waste Drop-off

kingcounty.gov/factoria
13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue
For households and qualifying small quantity generator businesses only.

Monday | Closed
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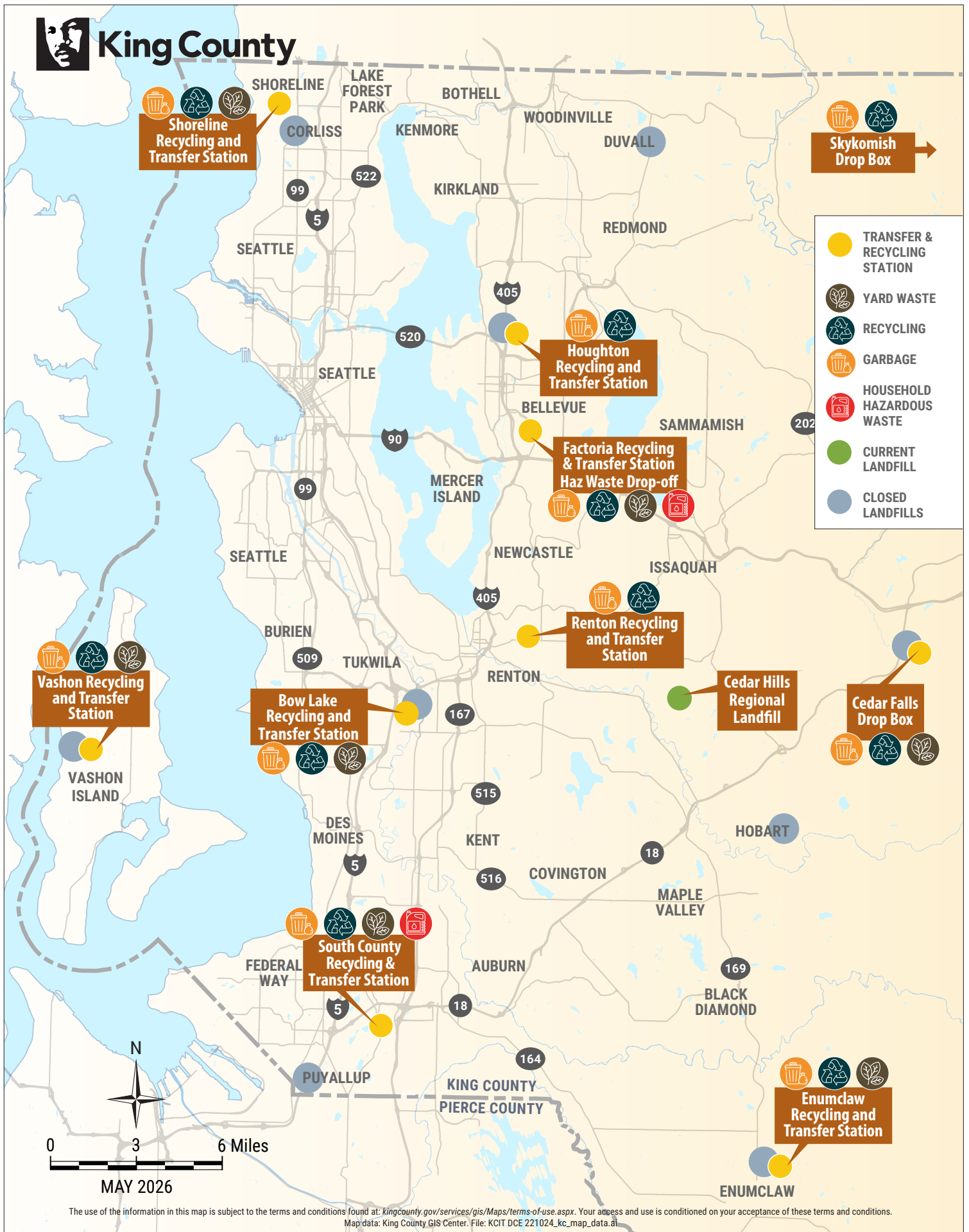
Note: All facilities closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

Website kingcounty.gov/solid-waste
Phone 206-477-4466
Waste Clearance 206-477-4466

Hazardous Waste line 206-296-4692
Illegal dumping hotline 206-296-SITE (7483)
WA State recycling hotline 1800recycle.wa.gov



King County



Fees EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

Cleanup LIFT Discount

\$20.00 off the cost to dispose of garbage and each type of recyclable item, each visit. Only for residential customers currently enrolled in ORCA LIFT, ProviderOne, or EBT. Show your card as you enter and exit the facility.

Garbage

Solid Waste Disposal Fee Type	King County Basic Fee ¹	Moderate Risk Waste Surcharge ²	WA State Refuse Tax (3.6%)	Total
Minimum Fee³	\$36.69	\$2.23	\$1.32	\$40.25
Per-ton Fee (self haul customers)	\$229.29	\$5.84	\$8.25	\$243.38

- 1 Solid waste commercial collection companies pay only the basic fee at King County solid waste disposal facilities.
- 2 The King County Board of Health has approved increases in the surcharge that funds hazardous waste programs.
- 3 The total minimum fee is rounded to the nearest \$0.25 per King County Code 10.12.030.

Note: Sedans and two-door hatchbacks pay only the minimum fee. All other vehicles will be weighed in and out, and charged for the actual weight disposed based on the per ton fee, with a minimum fee of \$40.25.

Mattress Handling Fee

Mattress, futon, and box spring: \$30.00 each. This handling fee applies at all facilities. Recycling offered at Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline, South County, and Vashon.

Recycling

Appliances – refrigerant type: \$30.00 each

Yard waste and wood (untreated)

- Minimum fee: \$20.70
- Per-ton fee: \$129.38



Secure your load for safer roads

Secure your load

A secured load of solid waste has been securely fastened, covered, or both in a manner that will prevent the covering or any part of the load from becoming loose, detached or leaving the vehicle while the vehicle is moving.

At King County facilities, unsecured loads will be assessed a \$25.00 fee per **King County Code 10.12.040**.

Payment Options

No checks accepted



Cash



Debit / Credit



Apple Pay



Solid Waste Disposal Cards
(Skykomish only)

Item size limits

- No item longer than 8 feet
- No dense item (larger than 2'x2'x2' and weighing more than 200 pounds, such as concrete blocks and metal safes)

Vehicle length limits

STRICTLY ENFORCED

Maximum combined length limit for vehicles and trailers from bumper to bumper:

Station Location	Vehicle Length Max
Renton Houghton	25 feet
Cedar Falls	30 feet
Bow Lake Enumclaw Factoria Shoreline South County	40 feet
Vashon	45 feet