

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STORING AND RECYCLING



Correctly separating the waste you produce at home allows it to be transformed into new materials. This way, we can avoid the extraction of new raw materials, creating a genuine circular economy.

If you want to sort your rubbish properly, keep these rules in mind and recycle whenever you can.

BIOWASTE

Purpose: produce organic fertilizers and renewable energy

PLACE

Raw and cooked food scraps, such as fruit and vegetable peels, bones and fish bones, eggshells, coffee grounds, tea bags, green waste from pruning, grass, and dry leaves.

Note: for significant amounts of green waste, contact your municipality, which may offer a separate collection for this type of waste.



DO NOT PLACE

Animal excrement, cigarette butts, leftover medication, waste that has its own dedicated collection points (such as those listed on this page), textiles, crockery, cutlery, coffee capsules, and personal hygiene waste.

WHERE?

In the biowaste container designated by your municipality

PAPER AND CARDBOARD

Purpose: produce new paper, notebooks, and recycled cardboard boxes

PLACE

Cardboard boxes, paper bags, toilet paper/kitchen roll inner tubes, egg boxes, paper and cardboard drink cups, cardboard packaging for equipment. **All this packaging should be clean and flattened.**



DO NOT PLACE

Plastic bags, medicine packaging, cement bags, waxed or paraffin-coated cardboard packaging, soiled tissues and kitchen paper, cardboard packaging for liquid foods.

WHERE?

In the blue container

PLASTIC AND METAL

Purpose: produce recycled plastic and metal packaging

PLACE

Plastic bags, plastic packaging, metal packaging (cans, tins, frozen food trays/tubs, take-away food containers), empty aerosols, cardboard packaging for liquid foods, plastic and metal lids, polystyrene food boxes.

Whenever possible, place packaging empty and flattened.



DO NOT PLACE

Toothbrushes, small appliances, medicine packaging, batteries, light bulbs, plastic packaging labelled as compostable or biodegradable.

WHERE?

In the yellow container

GLASS

Purpose: produce recycled bottles and glass jars

PLACE

Glass packaging such as drink bottles, jam/preserve jars, fruit jars, perfume and cosmetics jars, and olive oil bottles. **All this packaging should be empty.**

DO NOT PLACE

Plastic bags, flat glass and windows, crockery, ceramics, crystal, mirrors, drinking glasses, light bulbs, medicine bottles, and any other packaging that is not glass.



WHERE?

In the green container

WEEE

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment

Purpose: ensure the safe treatment of equipment and the recovery of valuable materials

SEPARATE

Small appliances (toasters, irons, etc.), large appliances (washing machines, refrigerators, etc.), computer equipment, mobile phones and chargers, televisions and monitors, electrical cables, and light bulbs.

SEPARATION RULES

Equipment must not be dismantled. If possible, batteries should be removed separately. Do not dispose of in general waste. Do not dispose of in the yellow recycling point.



WHERE?

Recycling centres, specific collection points, or shops (e.g. when purchasing new equipment)

<https://electrao.pt/equipamentos-electricos/>
<https://eureciclo.pt/>

BATTERIES

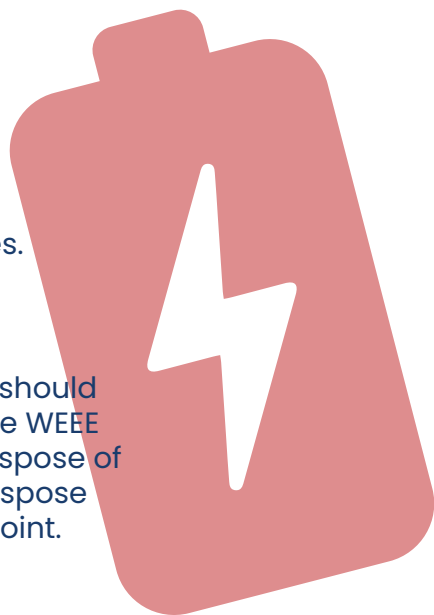
Purpose: ensure the recovery of valuable materials for reincorporation into new materials

SEPARATE

Ordinary batteries and rechargeable batteries.

SEPARATION RULES

WEEE containing batteries should be taken to the appropriate WEEE collection points. Do not dispose of in general waste. Do not dispose of in the yellow recycling point.



WHERE?

Battery collection points (supermarkets, schools, shops...) and recycling centres.

<https://electrao.pt/pilhas-baterias/>
<https://eureciclo.pt/>

USED COOKING OIL

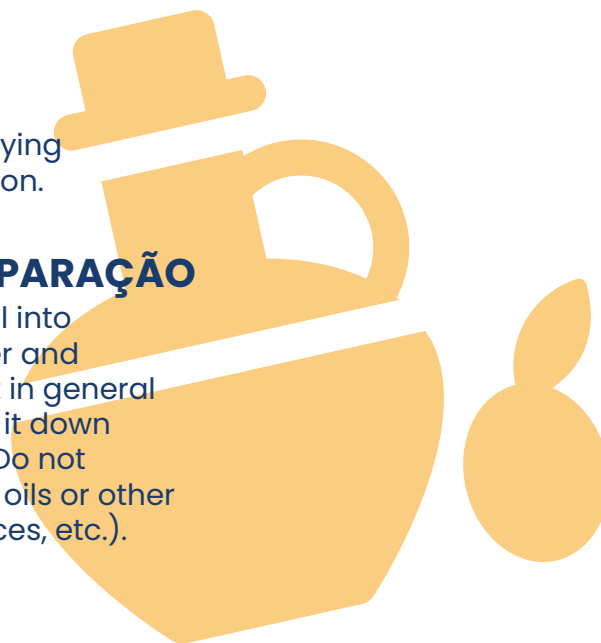
Purpose: produce biodiesel

SEPARATE

Oil resulting from frying and food preparation.

REGRAS DE SEPARAÇÃO

Pour the cooking oil into an empty container and do not dispose of it in general waste. Do not pour it down household drains. Do not include lubricating oils or other liquids (water, sauces, etc.).



WHERE?

Oil collection points (on the street and at recycling centres)

A DEPOSIT-AND-REFUND SYSTEM FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINERS

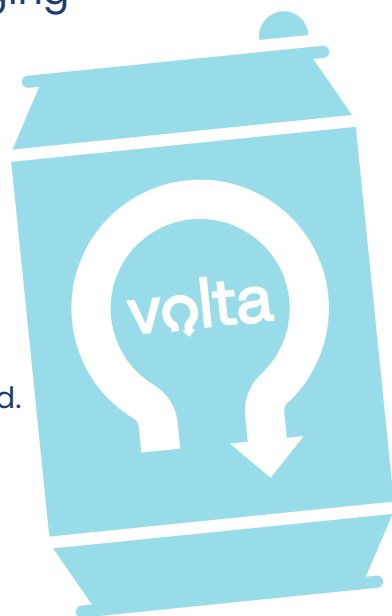
Purpose: encourage the correct separation of packaging

SEPARATE

Non-reusable plastic, aluminium, and metal (cans) packaging up to 3 litres.

SEPARATION RULES

The packaging and label must be intact. Only packaging with the VOLTA symbol is accepted. Packaging without the VOLTA symbol, or that is damaged, should be placed in the yellow recycling point.



WHERE?

Automatic vending machines for returning packaging and manual collection points (such as small cafés, grocery stores, or the HORECA channel) that participate in the System.

<https://sdrportugal.pt/pontos-de-recolha/>

OTHER SPECIAL WASTE

CORKS

Specific collection points (e.g. supermarkets, mobile or fixed recycling centres).

CROCKERY AND CERAMICS

Specific collection points (mobile or fixed recycling centres).

TEXTILES

Specific collection points.

BULKY WASTE (FURNITURE, SOFAS, MATTRESSES, ETC.)

Specific collection points (mobile or fixed recycling centres).

EXPIRED MEDICATION

Pharmacies or drugstores.

Do not dispose of any of these types of waste in general (unsorted) waste collection. Check with your municipality or local parish council for the collection of these and other types of urban waste.

USED TYRES

See www.valorpneu.pt

USED LUBRICATING OILS

See www.sogilub.pt



Check with your local municipality for the collection of these and other types of urban waste.

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