

Reason for separate collection of plastics in Shibuya

Various environmental problems related to plastics such as marine pollution and petroleum depletion are attracting attention worldwide. In addition, greenhouse gases emitted when processing plastic as waste and the shortage of landfill sites have been cited as issues that must be resolved. In Japan and overseas, reducing the use of plastic and using plastic more effectively are being pursued to solve these issues.

To maintain an environment that does not place a burden on future generations, Shibuya is taking the initiative in collecting plastics from households as recyclable resources instead of processing of them as waste.

By effectively using plastic as recyclable resources, we aim to reduce the amount of waste and extend the life of final disposal sites, as well as to reduce the burden on the global environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Caution



Do not dispose of batteries (dry cell, mobile battery, etc.), lighters, razors, or needles used in home medical care.

- Batteries (dry cell, mobile battery, etc.) may cause accidental fires due to short circuits during the sorting process.
- If razors or the like are mixed in with other plastics, they may injure workers performing collection and sorting tasks.
- DO NOT dispose of needles, since they may puncture the hands or other parts of a worker's body.
- If you double- or triple-bag plastic items for disposal, it will complicate the unbagging and sorting process at the intermediate processing facility. Please put them all directly into one transparent or semitransparent bag.

The information in this flyer is for residents who put out their recyclables and waste for pickup by the Waste Collection Office. This does not apply to businesses that request collection, transportation and disposal of recyclables and waste by licensed private waste collection and transportation companies.

Inquiries

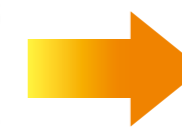
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Important Notice from Shibuya City

Starting in July 2022, the classification and collection method of "plastic items" will change throughout Shibuya City.

Disposal method of "plastic items" will change.

Day for
combustible waste



Day for
recyclables

Plastic items that are currently collected as combustible waste will be collected as **recyclables**.

With this change, the following nine items will be collected in Shibuya as recyclables:

Newspaper Magazines Cardboard Glass bottles Cans PET bottles
Spray cans, cassette gas cylinders Fluorescent lights **Plastic items**

Plastic items that will be collected as recyclables are as follows:

Dispose of in a transparent or semitransparent bag.

Plastic items (roughly 30 cm or less on every side)

- Plastic that was used to hold (containers) or wrap (packaging) products and is no longer needed after the products inside are removed (used).

Other plastics

Examples: Shampoo and detergent bottles, snack wrappings, cup noodle containers, egg trays, food trays, plastic hangers (even if the hooks are metal), CDs, DVDs, videotapes, polystyrene foam products, plastic buckets, plastic toys (batteries must be removed), etc.



Note: Excludes items that cannot be washed clean, lighters, mobile batteries, syringes used in home medical care, etc.

