How to separate your rubbish correctly

**Yellow Bag**

**Yes**
- plastic packaging
- Tetra Pak, beverage containers
- yogurt pots and tops
- foils, plastic bags
- shampoo bottles
- toothpaste tubes

**No**
- spray cans, insecticides
  - hand over at recycling centre
- basic commodity in plastic or metal (toys, toothbrush)
  - use grey bin
- plastic bottles (filled with harmful residues or contents, e.g. cleaning agents)
  - hand over at local recycling centre

For further sorting assistance:
[http://www.gruener-punkt.de/de/download.html](http://www.gruener-punkt.de/de/download.html)

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**Green for paper**

**Yes**
- newspapers, magazines, catalogues
- letters, envelopes
- computer paper
- paper packaging
- clean paper bags
- cardboard
- school notebooks, writing paper
- cigarette boxes minus foil paper and film wrap

**No**
- dirty, waxed, coated paper  
  - use grey bin
- gift wraps, photographs, photo paper  
  - use grey bin
- wallpapers, tissues, paper towels  
  - use grey bin

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**Brown for organics**

**Yes**
- vegetables, fruits, potatoes, eggs, nuts
- coffee filters, tea bags
- wilted flowers, pot plants (not the pot)
- garden waste (leaves, grass, weeds, shrub prunings)
- meat, fish, bones (in common household quantities)

**No**
- plastic trash bags  
  - use grey bin
- leftovers from gastronomy  
  - use grey bin
- residual waste  
  - use grey bin

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**Grey for non-recyclables**

**Yes**
- vacuum cleaner bags
- ashes, cigarette butts
- nappies, paper towels, tissues, toiletries
- medicine, pills
- cat litter
- wallpaper remnants
- cassettes

**No**
- metal, glass packaging  
  - use the assigned recycling container
- plastic packaging  
  - use yellow bag
- problematic materials (energy-saving bulbs, batteries, detergents, paint and varnishes)  
  - hand over at local recycling centre
- electronic devices  
  - hand over at local recycling centre