

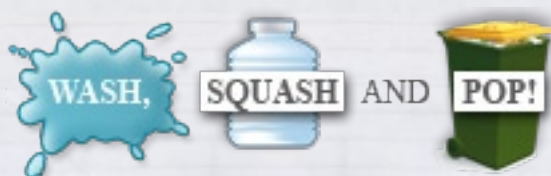


# REPAK GREEN CHRISTMAS



## HINTS & TIPS 2009

1. Recycling isn't just for Christmas time. There are more items and packaging to recycle around Christmas, but make it your gift to the environment to recycle all year round
2. After Christmas you can recycle your used packaging, used electrical items and batteries
3. Keep all recyclables clean. Remember to **WASH** and **SQUASH** before **POPPING** them into your recycle bin



4. Remember put the following Christmas packaging in your recycle bin once they're **CLEAN** and **DRY**
  - CARDBOARD AND PAPER
  - ALUMINIUM DRINKS CANS
  - PLASTIC FOR THE RECYCLE BIN
  - FOOD TINS
  - ALL OTHER ALUMINIUM
5. Keep **GLASS** separate for recycling at the bottle bank or recycling centre
6. How to recycle your used **CARDBOARD** and Christmas **WRAPPING PAPER**
  - Fold used wrapping paper rather than scrunching it up. This will help you sort it and you'll fit more in your recycling bin
  - Remember that Christmas crackers and Christmas cards are all recyclable
  - Flatten used boxes and remove any plastic inserts in selection boxes
  - No need to worry about selotape on wrapping paper; this can be recycled too
  - Make sure all the cardboard and paper is clean and dry



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## 7. How to recycle **FOOD TINS**

- Rinse out the tins to remove any left over food or sauce
- Place the lids or tops inside the washed tin
- If you can, squash the tin, then pop it into your recycle bin

## 8. How to recycle **ALUMINIUM DRINK CANS**

- Rinse out the drink cans to get rid of any left over fizzy drink
- Squash the can and pop it into your recycle bin

## 9. **ALUMINIUM** is not just used in drinks cans, you will find it in other areas around the house and it's just as recyclable as a drinks can

- Aluminium trays – from mince pies and when you have eaten enough turkey don't forget to recycle your take away food trays
- Just make sure these items are clean and dry
- Squash or flatten them and pop them into your recycle bin

## 10. How to recycle **PLASTIC**

- Recycle all plastic containers with the number 1 and 2 placed inside a triangle, usually shown on the base of these bottles



- These include items such as plastic drinks bottles, milk bottles, shampoo bottles, detergent and washing up liquid bottles, soap dispenser bottles, shower gel bottles and yogurt drink bottles
- Always rinse these bottles out to get rid of any leftovers
- Then squash them and pop them into your recycle bin



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- The company that collects your recycle bin may take more types of plastic in their recycle bins, so check with them to see if you can recycle more

## 11. How to recycle GLASS

- Rinse out glass drinks bottles to get rid of any left over liquid
- Don't forget to recycle your mayonnaise, cranberry and pickled sauce jars
- Clean out your glass jars to get rid of any left over food
- Give the lids a quick wash and pop them separately into the recycle bin too
- Try to use reusable bags or boxes to collect up your glass bottles
- There is usually a bottle bank close to the supermarket, school or office.  
Why not bring the glass with you when making a trip, to save time and fuel
- Put each glass bottle into the correct bank for its colour. Mixing up the colours lowers the quality of recyclable glass.
- Please do not leave used glass on the ground at recycling banks as this slows collection and attracts unwanted dumping. If the bottle banks are full visit [www.recyclenmore.ie](http://www.recyclenmore.ie) to locate other sites, or recycle your glass at the end of January when there is less pressure on sites.

12. Many households now have access to brown bins for food and garden waste. If you are fortunate to have one remember to gather up all your left over food waste, vegetable and fruit peelings and wrap them in old newspapers before placing them in the brown bin

13. Remember don't just recycle items from your kitchen. Maybe make a New Years resolution to recycle more by recycling from other areas of the house like the living room, bedroom, bathroom and home office or study

14. When the festivities are over bring any unwanted gifts of clothes or toys to your local charity shop or give them away online through sites such as [freetrade.ie](http://freetrade.ie)





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- 15.** Here is a handy list of all the items you can recycle, once they're clean and dry. If you're unsure about an item not on the list, contact your recycling company or contact us here in [recyclemore.ie](http://recyclemore.ie) through the contact from on [www.recyclemore.ie](http://www.recyclemore.ie)



- **Tetra Pak**  
Milk cartons, juice cartons and soup cartons
- **Paper & Cardboard**  
Christmas crackers, tissue boxes, phone books, catalogues, labels and tags from new clothes
- **Aluminium**  
Foil take away trays, clean aluminium foil, disposable aluminium baking and food trays, aluminium trays from mince pies
- **Plastic**  
Shampoo and shower gel bottles, window cleaner bottles, washing up liquid bottles, detergent and fabric softener bottles, yogurt drink bottles (no tubs) clean and clear plastic wrap, like that found around toilet paper and kitchen towel, plastic bags, plastic food containers such as tomato and salad bowls
- **Steel**  
Steel food tins, soup tins, biscuit tins, aerosol cans – remove plastic lids and make sure the cans are empty

- 16.** If you have a real Christmas tree you can recycle it at one of the many designated Christmas tree recycling centres around the country. Check opening hours and locations with your local authority or use the recycling facility search on [www.recyclemore.ie](http://www.recyclemore.ie)



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17. Recycle your used batteries. Shops selling batteries must now provide collection boxes to recycle old batteries. These are usually small blue boxes located close to the tills or information desks in store
18. Recycle any old or broken electrical items in your local recycling centres or by returning them to an electrical shop when purchasing new ones.
  - Recycle your old mobile phones by giving them to one of the many local charities like the Jack and Jill foundation

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WE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A  
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY 2010!**

