



FOOD ORGANICS GARDEN ORGANICS

USER GUIDE

Wollongong City Council
provides a **weekly FOGO** service
using your green FOGO bin.



**COMPOSTABLE
LINER AS 4736**



**NO PLASTIC
BAGS**

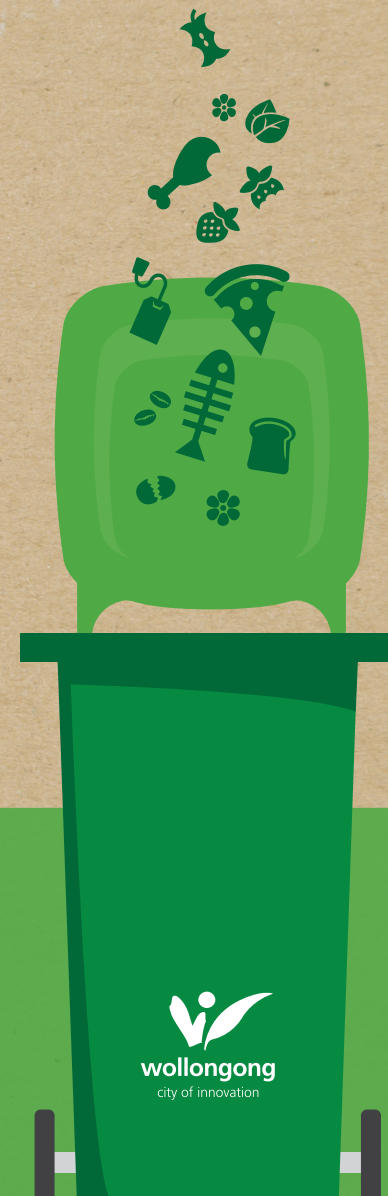
No plastic or biodegradable bags, these will be treated as contamination. Any compostable bag liners used in your kitchen caddy or green FOGO bin must display the **Australian Standard - AS 4736**.



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welcome to fogo

Audits show that on average Wollongong residents are filling up to **40%** of their red landfill bins with food waste. This equates to around **150kg** per household per year.

As food decomposes in landfill it generates methane gas, which is an odorless greenhouse gas.

By diverting all food waste from your red landfill bin to your green FOGO bin, **we can significantly reduce the amount of waste going to landfill** which will reduce the cost of waste disposal and reduce the amount of greenhouse gas generated.



your kitchen caddy

Council has provided you with a **kitchen caddy and compostable bags** to assist in the recycling of all organic waste from your kitchen. The caddy is easy to use and is fully enclosed. Simply line the caddy with a compostable liner, fill it with food waste and then empty the contents into your green FOGO bin.

give fogo a go in three easy steps

step one



Collect all food scraps and place them in the kitchen caddy that can be lined with a compostable caddy liner provided in the starter pack. Please do not use plastic or biodegradable bags of any kind.

step two



Empty your kitchen caddy regularly into your green FOGO bin.

step three



Wheel out your **green FOGO bin weekly**. Remember it does not need to be full to be collected.

fogo tips

ALL food waste goes into FOGO: raw or cooked meat, bones, fish, bread, cheese, out of date food, food scraps are all accepted.

Meat and seafood scraps can be frozen until collection day. Freeze them in the compostable caddy liners provided and throw it straight into your green FOGO bin just before collection.

To minimise odour in your green FOGO bin layer food scraps alternately with your garden organics (eg: lawn clippings).

Where possible put your green FOGO bin in a **shady well-ventilated spot**.

Even if there's only a small amount in your green FOGO bin **put it out every week**.

items accepted

- ✓ compostable liners AS 4736
- ✓ fruit & vegetable scraps
- ✓ tea bags & coffee
- ✓ grass clippings, leaves & small branches
- ✓ pasta, bread, rice & cereal
- ✓ flowers and herbs
- ✓ meat & bones, seafood & shells
- ✓ take away food & leftovers
- ✓ eggs & dairy
- ✓ shredded paper, food soiled paper & pizza boxes

items not accepted

- ✗ plastic bags, soft plastic & biodegradable bags
- ✗ pet waste & kitty litter
- ✗ garden hose & planting pots
- ✗ batteries
- ✗ polystyrene foam
- ✗ building waste, rocks & soil
- ✗ disposable nappies & personal hygiene products
- ✗ tissues

