

Waste Disposal Schedule by Day

- Waste category names and their Korean pronunciations are shown in blue italics throughout this guide.
- This guide is intended to help foreign residents better understand the waste disposal system in Dong-gu, Busan.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday / Saturday	Sunday
Recyclables <i>Jaehwal-yongpum</i> Clear PET bottles; scrap metal; cans; Fluorescent lamps, excluding incandescent bulbs; Used batteries, etc. ※ Please separate recyclables by type before disposal.	Burnable general waste <i>Ilban Ssuregi</i> Use a Pay-As-You-Throw garbage bag. <i>Jongnyangje Bongtu</i> Food waste <i>Eumsikmul Sseuregi</i> Use a food-waste container with a tag. <i>Napbu-piljeung</i> Non-burnable general waste <i>Bulyeonseong Sseuregi</i> Use a yellow 20L non-burnable PP sack. - Examples: broken glass*, ceramics, pottery, bottles for skin lotion and perfume, animal bones, etc. *Broken glass (Ex. mirrors, broken windows) Wrap the broken glass in multiple layers of newspaper, place them in a sealed, puncture-resistant container(like a small box) and label it as "유리(glass)" before throwing it away.	Recyclables <i>Jaehwal-yongpum</i> Paper, cardboard boxes, clothing, glass bottles, Styrofoam, plastic, vinyl, clear PET bottles. Used disposable vinyl bags and film packaging should be cleaned before disposal Small waste electronics under 1 meter in size, such as laptops and microwaves, may be disposed of on Wednesdays. Waste cooking oil should be placed in a sealed container for disposal.	Burnable general waste <i>Ilban Ssuregi</i> Use a P-A-Y-T bag. <i>Jongnyangje Bongtu</i> Food waste <i>Eumsikmul Sseuregi</i> Use a food-waste container with a tag. <i>Napbu-piljeung</i>	No waste collection on Fridays and Saturdays.	Burnable general waste <i>Ilban Ssuregi</i> Use a P-A-Y-T bag. <i>Jongnyangje Bongtu</i> Food waste <i>Eumsikmul Sseuregi</i> Use a food-waste container with a tag. <i>Napbu-piljeung</i>
1. Pay-As-You-Throw garbage bags (P-A-Y-T bags) are available at local markets and convenience stores. If you cannot find one nearby, please visit the following link for more information. https://www.bsdonggu.go.kr/index.donggu?menuCd=DOM_000000104005018000 2. A food waste payment tag, known as "Napbu-piljeung" in Korean, must be attached to the food waste container before disposal. → The tags are color-coded according to container capacity in liters. For information on where to purchase waste disposal tags, please visit the district office website. https://www.bsdonggu.go.kr/index.donggu?menuCd=DOM_000000104005023000					



*Note: Small amounts of construction waste such as tiles, bricks, and soil should be placed in a white PP sack for small-construction-waste. If the waste is not collected after being put out, please contact the large-waste item collection company.

Disposal Time and Place	Other Recyclable Items
- 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. - Place waste in front of your home or business, within 1 meter of the property line.	- Large home appliances: Apply for free collection at www.15990903.or.kr - Used batteries & fluorescent lamps: Use dedicated collection boxes at local community service centers - Expired medication: Take to the Dong-gu Community Health Center, a local community service center, or a nearby pharmacy

Collection and Inquiry Contacts

Large Waste Item Collection Companies for Furniture and Other Bulky Items	Septic Tank Cleaning Companies	Missed Collections & Inquiries
Choryang 1, Sujeong 1-2-4-dong ☎ 010-4537-7515 Sujeong 5-dong, Jwacheon-dong, Beomil-dong ☎ 010-4526-7515 Busan Environmental Industry ☎ 051-631-0933	Beomil 1-dong / Dong-gu Sanitation ☎ 051-642-6610~1 Dongwon Industrial Development ☎ 051-633-6399 Dong-gu Cleaning ☎ 051-637-4173	Choryang-dong, Sujeong 1-2-4-dong ☎ 051-636-5633 Sujeong 5-dong, Jwacheon-dong, Beomil-dong ☎ 051-631-0933

*For more information, please visit the Busan Metropolitan City website. <https://www.busan.go.kr/eng/bsgarbage>

Recyclable Items: Sorting Guidelines, Disposal Days and Methods

Monday Evening Disposal

Item	Sorting / Disposal Method
Clear PET bottles	Empty contents and remove labels as much as possible. Place them in the designated clear PET bottle collection container. If there is no collection container, put them in a clear transparent bag. The separate disposal system has been in effect since Dec. 25, 2021.
Other plastics including opaque PET bottles	Empty contents and remove labels as much as possible. Dispose of composite materials separately by material. (e.g., pens, toys) If separation is difficult, dispose of it in a P-A-Y-T bag.
Fluorescent lamps	Apartment buildings: use the recycling collection bins provided by the apartment complex. Detached houses: use collection boxes at local community service centers. Incandescent bulbs and broken fluorescent lamps must be put in a P-A-Y-T bag.
Used batteries	Apartment buildings: use the self-managed collection box. Detached houses: use collection boxes at local community service centers. Rusty waste batteries are not recyclable.
Cans / scrap metal / beverage cans / butane gas cans, etc.	Empty contents and compress before disposal. Remove the plastic cap from butane gas cans. Paint cans or waste oil cans with residue are not recyclable.

Wednesday Evening Disposal

Item	Sorting / Disposal Method
Cardboard (Courier boxes etc.)	Remove tape and labels, then fold before disposal.
Paper (Newspapers, books, notebooks, etc.)	Remove vinyl-coated covers, notebook spirals, and any other non-paper materials before disposal. Flatten and bundle paper items, keeping them dry.
Paper packs (milk cartons, etc.)	Empty contents, rinse, and fold. Dispose in a paper-pack-only collection bin. If there is no dedicated collection box, dispose in the recycling box. Bundle them with string before disposal.
Clothing (Cotton fabric, other clothing)	Keep items dry. Place in a bag or tie together before disposal.
Styrofoam (White Styrofoam boxes)	Remove all labels and tape. Styrofoam with stickers, glue, coating, color, fruit cushioning nets, sponge-like materials, or colored parts is not recyclable. Please dispose of it in a P-A-Y-T bag.

Non-recyclable Items by category

Category	Examples of Non-recyclable Items
Paper	Waterproof paper, used wallpaper, shredded paper, paper cups
Glass	Ceramics, porcelain bowls, mirrors, plate glass
Other	Sneakers, bags, toothbrushes, construction insulation materials, videotapes, audio tapes, furniture, electric mats, lighting fixtures, musical instruments, medical devices, etc.