

What You *Can* Put in a Skip

These items are generally accepted in our standard skip hire services:

- **General household waste:** plastic, untreated timber, inert materials (e.g. bricks, concrete), and non-electrical household fixtures.
- **Garden waste:** grass clippings, leaves, branches, soil, turf
- **Construction waste:** bricks, tiles, concrete, rubble, untreated wood
- **Plastics and packaging:** bottles, containers, polystyrene, cardboard
- **Metals:** non-hazardous scrap metal, tins, aluminium items
- **Glass:** bottles, window panes, glassware
- **Paper products:** newspapers, magazines, office paper

Note: Most of these items are accepted, but always check with Bluestone Hire if you're unsure about specific materials.

What You *Cannot* Put in a Skip

The following items are prohibited due to environmental, health, and safety regulations.

- **Asbestos:** requires specialist disposal due to health risks
- **Batteries:** contain hazardous materials; should be recycled separately
- **Tyres:** need to be taken to designated recycling centres
- **Fridges and freezers:** contain refrigerants; require special handling
- **Electrical appliances:** TVs, computers, microwaves fall under WEEE regulations
- **Hazardous waste:** paint, solvents, chemicals, pesticides
- **Gas cylinders and pressurised containers:** pose explosion risks

- **Medical waste:** syringes, medications, biological waste
- **Plasterboard:** must be disposed of separately due to chemical reactions in landfills
- **Fluorescent tubes and light bulbs:** contain mercury; require special disposal
- **Liquids:** oil, petrol, diesel, and other liquids are not permitted
- **Upholstered furniture:** sofas, armchairs, and mattresses treated with POPs (Persistent Organic Pollutants) require special disposal
- **Food waste:** can attract pests and cause odours; dispose of via regular waste collection
- **Contaminated wood:** wood treated with hazardous chemicals

Important: Disposing of prohibited items in a skip can result in additional charges or refusal to collect the skip. Always consult with Bluestone Hire if you're unsure about an item's eligibility.

For a comprehensive guide on skip hire and waste disposal, refer to the UK government's official waste management resources (hyperlink: <https://www.gov.uk/how-to-classify-different-types-of-waste>).

If you need further assistance or have specific items to dispose of, please contact us directly on **0330 9000 023** or info@bluestonehire.co.uk

For guidance on how to dispose of different types of waste, please refer to official government resources:

- **England:** [gov.uk – How to classify different types of waste](https://www.gov.uk/how-to-classify-different-types-of-waste)
<https://www.gov.uk/how-to-classify-different-types-of-waste>
- **Scotland:** **SEPA – Managing your waste**
<https://www.sepa.org.uk/regulations/waste/>
- **Wales:** **Natural Resources Wales – Waste regulations**
<https://naturalresources.wales/permits-and-permissions/waste/?lang=en>

 **Waste regulations may vary depending on your location. If you're unsure, contact us and we'll help guide you based on your region.**