

Your garden waste collection sticker explained

Once you have registered for the scheme, we will send you a welcome pack.

The pack will contain a sticker which you will need to attach to the back of your green bin. Your sticker will have your address and a unique reference number so crews can easily identify registered bins.

You can subscribe at any time during the garden waste season, but in order to ensure your bin sticker arrives before 2 March 2026, please subscribe before Friday 13 February 2026.

Stickers should arrive within 10 working days.

If you are a new customer and need a bin, please call us on 01904 551551. Bins can take up to four weeks to be delivered.

For further details and Terms and Conditions of the Garden Waste Subscription Scheme, **scan the QR code**

with the camera on your smartphone or tablet.



SCAN ME

Don't want your garden waste collected?

There is no need to contact us if you don't want to subscribe.

However, there are other ways to manage your garden waste.

You can compost at home and subsidised compost bins are available to buy from Hazel Court or Towthorpe Household Waste Recycling Centres, **for £15.00**. More information about composting is available at: york.gov.uk/composting.

You can also take your garden waste and dispose of it, free of charge, at Hazel Court or Towthorpe Household Waste Recycling Centres.



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2026 GARDEN WASTE SUBSCRIPTION SCHEME

If you want to have your garden waste collected from your home, you need to subscribe to the scheme.

Subscriptions open from 12 January

SUBSCRIBE



See inside for full details.



york.gov.uk/GardenWaste



How to register

Step 1

The easiest and quickest way to subscribe is to register online at: **york.gov.uk/GardenWaste**

However, if you are unable to register online please call 01904 551551.

Step 2

Once paid you will receive a **confirmation email**.



Sharing a bin

If you are eligible for the Garden Waste Subscription Scheme but think one garden bin can meet the needs of you and your neighbours – then you can share a bin. One person will need to sign up and register their address for the collection. This bin must be presented at this address.

Step 3

You will receive a **sticker** for your garden waste bin by post - garden bins without valid stickers will not be emptied.



Step 4

We will charge for the service annually; you will need to complete the process **each year** to enable collections to continue.

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Your collections

Collections are fortnightly over a 40 week period. The subscription scheme starts on **Monday 2 March 2026** and runs until **Friday 4 December 2026**.

Once subscribed, you can then check your first collection date at: **york.gov.uk/WasteCollectionCalendar**.



Why are we charging for garden waste collections?

Over 70% of local authorities in the country already charge for garden waste collections, as this is not included in your Council Tax bill.

Charging for garden waste collections will help to protect other key local services, particularly when we are facing significant financial challenges.

Garden waste collection fees

Registering for the subscription scheme in 2026 will cost **£52, which is £2.60 per collection**. You will receive 20 collections between early March and early December.

A 50% discount on the charge (**£26 which is £1.30 per collection**) is available for those residents in receipt of Council Tax Support or those who are registered as SMI (severe mental impairment).



Find out more at:
york.gov.uk/GardenWaste

