

## Do not add glass of any kind to residential recycling carts

(Penticton, BC – Aug. 21, 2024) – It’s summertime in Penticton – and those glass bottles may be adding up around your home. But when it’s time to dispose of them, remember that glass cannot be placed in your residential recycling carts.

The City of Penticton is reminding residents and visitors about the ways to responsibly dispose of those glass bottles, jars and sauce containers.

“Here in Penticton, glass cannot be placed in our curbside recycling carts. In fact, they count as contamination through RecycleBC and can cause the entire load in the collection truck to become contaminated,” says Sustainability Coordinator Madison Poultney. “Glass shatters and makes the load difficult and dangerous to sort. So, while it takes an extra step, please drop off your bottles and glass items at the depot.”

Here are some locations to drop off your glass recycling.

### J&C Bottle Depot

Drop off your wine and beer bottles, plus other beverage containers, for a refund under the Return-In program. They also accept non-refundable glass jars and containers for recycling. Located at 200 Rosetown Ave., with more details at [return-it.ca](https://return-it.ca) or Ph: 250-492-5144.

### Return-It Express & GO in Penticton

This station offers a quick and convenient option for recycling your refundable beverage containers including cans, juice boxes, milk jugs and bottles. Simply pre-bag your items in a clear bag, print your label on site and drop them off – without the need for counting or sorting. Located at 200 Carmi Ave., with more details at [return-it.ca/express/penticton](https://return-it.ca/express/penticton).

### Campbell Mountain Landfill

The landfill has a bin right at the front entrance where non-deposit glass bottles, sauce containers and jars can be recycled. Located at 1765 Reservoir Rd., with more information at [rdos.bc.ca/campbell-mountain](https://rdos.bc.ca/campbell-mountain) or Ph: 250-490-4129.

Penticton’s goal is to lower the community’s recycling contamination rate from 8 per cent to 6 per cent or lower by December this year. If the City does not meet its goals set out by Recycle BC, it could lead to increased costs to deliver the program as a result of fines. It may also lead to a less convenient

recycling service, such as having to sort everything into separate bins or bags, which has been shown to reduce contamination in other B.C. communities.

For more information on recycling, visit [penticton.ca/recycling](http://penticton.ca/recycling) and try the 'What Goes Where' tool, or phone the Recycle BC Hotline at 1-800-667-4321.

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