

**HOW TO SORT OUT RECYCLABLES  
AND  
HOW TO PUT OUT YOUR GARBAGE**

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## Free regular combustible garbage collection switched to paid service on October 1

To put out your regular combustible garbage, you need to pay for Izumi city-designated plastic bags to be used for combustible garbage disposal.

There are four kinds of such plastic garbage bags, each different in size and price as follows:

Capacity	45 L	20 L	10 L	5 L
Price (A set of 10 pieces)	450 yen	200 yen	100 yen	50 yen

- These bags are sold at your nearby commercial facilities, such as drug stores, supermarkets, general shops, convenience stores, JA stores, rice dealers, post offices, and more, designated as a contractor dealing in Izumi City garbage bags and sticker tickets for large-sized waste collection service. (There are 228 such places as of January 31, 2016)

To dispose of “recyclables” and “newly-separated items for recycling”, continue to use transparent or semitransparent plastic bags with a 45-liter or smaller capacity as you have used them for general garbage disposal.

### “Basic rules on how to put out your garbage”

<Your understanding and cooperation would be appreciated, since your garbage is not to be collected unless you observe following rules.>

- ◎ To put out your regular combustible garbage, use any of the paid bags with a 45L, 20L, 10L, or 5L capacity designated by Izumi City.
- ◎ To put out “recyclables” or “newly-separated items for recycling”, use transparent or semitransparent bags with a 45L or smaller capacity. Do not use any colored (yellow or yellow-green) bags, those larger than 45L in capacity, or corrugated cardboard boxes.
- ◎ Tightly tie your garbage bag(s) at the top so as to be easily carried.
- ◎ Properly separate waste by kind.
- ◎ Put out your garbage by 6:00 a.m. on a collection day in principle; otherwise your garbage could remain uncollected.
- ◎ Slightly rinse recyclables such as cans, glass bottles, PET bottles, and the like before disposal.
- ◎ Completely drain wet kitchen scraps or any others containing much moisture before disposal.
- ◎ Wrap in paper or adhesive tape sharp-edged or pointed items such as razor blades, skewers, or needles for the safety of collectors.

## Two-type garbage collection methods

Garbage is collected in two ways: either at the front of each individual house or at specified collection points to which people from a number of households bring their garbage, especially who reside in physically constraint areas or in housing complexes.

Check which collection method, the individual or the group collection system applies to your area, by asking your neighbors or real estate agent, or someone else, if you are not sure of it because you have just moved in or simply in case you just don't know.

### Regular (combustible) garbage includes:

Food waste (kitchen scraps, cup noodle containers), paper scraps (dirty wastepaper, dirty corrugated cardboard, shredded paper, etc.), plastic items (videotapes, cassette tapes, CDs, oil plastic containers, etc.), leathers (shoes, bags, belts, etc.), fibers waste (cushions, underwear, socks, curtains, dust cloth, pillows, etc.), small woodcrafts, fallen leaves, rubber products, diapers, spent disposable lighters, used disposable pocket warmers, etc.



- ◎To put out your regular combustible garbage, use any of the paid bags with a 45L, 20L, 10L, or 5L capacity designated by Izumi City.
- ◎Even if the paid city-designated bags are partly torn or broken, they are regarded as valid. Reinforce any torn or broken portion with adhesive tape or the like for use. When the breakage is too large to mend, put the broken bag containing garbage into a transparent or semitransparent plastic bag (preferably of the same size as the broken one), or put it into a larger transparent or semitransparent bag so that the inside paid city-designated bag can be seen from outside, and make it as small as the original paid city-designated bag by adjusting the knot position.
- ◎Do not put PET bottles, cans, glass bottles, or metal items together with regular garbage. If they are mixed in the paid city-designated bag, the bag is not to be collected.
- ◎Ensure that food waste has been thoroughly drained.
- ◎Sort out such recyclables as “newspaper, magazines, corrugated cardboard boxes, and old cloth” from regular garbage. Put them out as “newly-separated items for recycling” in city collection services, or offer them on the occasion of voluntary recycling activities led by your local community.
- ◎Before putting diapers in a garbage bag, get rid of solid waste by flushing it down the toilet.
- ◎Dispose of “pet waste” as regular garbage.
- ◎To discard “cooking oil”, solidify it with a hardening agent or make the liquid fully soak into paper or cloth.

### <How to put out garden waste including fallen leaves, branches, or wood or bamboo pieces as regular garbage>

To dispose of garden waste as regular garbage, limit the number of bundles or bags to a total of five at one time. If you have more waste than the five-item equivalent, put it out over separate days. For one-time disposal, you can choose any combination; for example, five bundles, five

bags, three bundles and two bags, four bundles and one bag, or whatever totaling up to five items regardless of the kind, as far as you follow the rules described below:

- ① Make into a bundle of branches or wood pieces, each 10 cm or less in thickness and 1 meter or less in length, and with a string bind a 20L paid city-designated garbage bag around the bundle that should be 30 cm or less in diameter. Remove soil off the bundle well.
- ② Put smaller branches or wood pieces into a paid city-designated garbage bag of any size, after shaking off the dirt well.

### **Recyclables and non-combustibles include:**

Cans, bottles, dry-cell batteries, spray cans, chinaware, glassware, etc.



Separate them into following three categories, and put each in a 45L or smaller transparent or semitransparent plastic bag for disposal.

- ① The first category: aluminum cans, steel cans, other metal cans for cookies, seaweed, etc., glass bottles, and dry-cell batteries.
- ② The second category: spray cans, and gas cartridges.
- ③ The third category: chinaware, glassware, or other ceramics including earthen pots, flowerpots, and plates, light bulbs, and glow starters.

◎Put out “glass or other breakable items” in a way that is safer to handle. (Wrap sharp or pointed items in newspaper, for example)

◎Dispose of “Itto” cans or 18-liter square cans as large-sized waste, which are collected on request basis.

◎Take beer or sake bottles back to liquor shops from which you bought, or have them pick up the bottles.

<Caution!>

Make sure spray cans or gas cartridges have been completely emptied before placing them in a bag separately from other recyclables. If any residual gas is left inside, it may blow up or cause a fire, possibly damaging a collection vehicle or endangering people around. Never fail to use them up before disposal.

## How to dispose of fluorescent lights



Fluorescent lights are collected free of charge on request by telephone. Call or contact the large-sized waste collection service center at the numbers below:

Large-sized waste collection service center

Telephone 0800-300-5374 (toll-free)  
(0725-45-3570 (fee-charged) by cellphone or PHS)

FAX 0800-700-0530 (toll-free)

Website <https://s-kantan.com/sodai-osaka-izumi-u/>

\*Open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 to 16:00

\*Closed Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays, and Year-end and New Year holidays from Dec. 29 to Jan. 3

Leave fluorescent lights intact or unbroken since they contain mercury albeit a small amount. Follow instructions below in putting them out:

1. Fluorescent lights of any type; straight tube type, ring type, or bulb type, are acceptable unless they are broken.
  2. Place them in their original packages, boxes, or something else to protect them against shocks.
  3. Attach a slip of paper or sticker on your light(s), which reads your name and reception number you obtained from the collection service center when you applied.
- \* Any broken items including fluorescent lights, light bulbs, and glow lamps are continuously collected as recyclable resources together with cans and bottles, not on request basis.

## **Newly separated items for recycling include:**

PET bottles, plastic bottles, used paper, old cloth, etc.

Sort them into following four categories and put them (except for the third category) into a 45L or smaller transparent or semitransparent plastic bag separately from each other for disposal.

- ① The first category: PET bottles (for drinks only)
- ② The second category: food trays (made of Styrofoam), plastic bottles, plastic egg cartons, and PET bottle caps.
- ③ The third category: newspaper (flyers), magazines, books, corrugated cardboard boxes, milk cartons, and other paper items
- ④ The fourth category: old cloth and used clothes



### **<How to dispose of PET bottles>**

- ◎After rinsing PET bottles and their caps with water, peel off their labels and put only the bottle parts (without caps) in a 45L or smaller transparent or semitransparent plastic bag for disposal.
- ◎Put the caps in another bag for the above-described second category that includes “food trays, plastic bottles, etc.”
- ◎Dispose of the removed labels as regular garbage.
- ◎Do not include PET bottles that contained something other than drinks in these newly-separated items for recycling. Treat them as regular garbage.

### **<How to dispose of food trays, plastic bottles, and plastic egg cartons>**

- ◎After slightly rinsing food trays and plastic bottles with water, place them along with PET bottle caps and plastic egg cartons into a 45L or smaller transparent or semitransparent plastic bag for disposal.
- ◎Food trays here mean those made of Styrofoam, for containing vegetables, meat, or fish.
- ◎Plastic bottles here mean those for containing kitchen detergents, toilet-bowl cleaners, bathroom cleaners, shampoos, conditioners, etc.
- ◎Dispose of Styrofoam-made cushioning material or boxes as regular garbage.
- ◎Dispose of plastic containers for cup-type instant noodles, Natto, or cooking oil as regular garbage.

### **<How to dispose of paper items and old cloth>**

- ◎Sort paper items into five groups: newspaper (flyers), magazines (books), corrugated cardboard, milk cartons, and others. Bundle them crosswise with strings by kind.
- ◎Do not fix them with packaging tape.
- ◎Some community associations, children’s associations, and the like in your neighborhood set their voluntary collection days for recycling activities. You are encouraged to join them by putting out your recyclables such as paper items and old cloth on the days rather than using city collection services.

©Treat any stained or dirty paper items as regular combustible garbage.

©Treat dust cloth, curtains, socks, and underwear as regular garbage.

※It is also recommended that you take such recyclables as PET bottles and food trays to some supermarkets or stores that collect them on a voluntary basis.

## Large-sized waste, the collection of which is charged and made on request basis, includes:

Chest of drawers, desks, beds, mattresses, cupboards, tables, sofas, electric fans, vacuum cleaners, microwave ovens, electric pots, electric carpets, umbrellas, pots, kettles, flying pans, “Itto” cans or 18-liter square cans, clocks, hangers, kitchen knives, bicycles, tricycles, motorcycles, radio-cassette recorders, oil stoves, futon, carpets, etc.



### <Procedures for requesting large-sized waste collection service>

#### ①Request the service by calling or contacting “Large-sized waste collection service center” by phone, FAX, or the Internet.

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(0725-45-3570 (fee-charged) by cellphone or PHS)  
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- \*Open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 to 16:00
- \*Closed Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays, and Year-end and New Year holidays from Dec. 29 to Jan. 3
- \*Up to two requests acceptable for one household per month
- \*Up to six collection items acceptable at one time

#### ②Check your collection date and handling fee.

You will be asked about your address, name, telephone number, the kind and amount of your large-sized waste to be picked up, and then informed of your fee, collection date, and receipt number.

- \*Handling fees vary in accordance with the kind and size of your large-sized waste. You will pay for one of the 300-yen's, 600-yen's, 900-yen's, 1200-yen's, or 1500-yen's worth of sticker ticket(s).
- \*Check well how much your waste would cost before buying the “large-sized collection sticker ticket(s)” .

#### ③Purchase “large-sized waste collection service sticker ticket(s)” corresponding to your waste.

Only one type of 300-yen sticker ticket is offered. Buy one or more sticker tickets equivalent to your waste cost that you were told, at your nearby commercial facilities, such as drug stores, supermarkets, general shops, convenience stores, JA stores, rice stores, post offices, and more, designated as a contractor dealing in Izumi City garbage bags and large-sized waste collection service sticker tickets. (There are 228 such places as of January 31, 2016)

#### ④Put out your large-sized waste no later than 6 a.m. on collection day.

Write your receipt number and collection date on the large-sized waste collection service sticker(s) you bought and put it(them) down on your waste item(s) in an easy-to-notice way.

- \*Keep the rest part of your peeled-off sticker ticket(s) until the collection completes.



## How to dispose of TVs, refrigerators/freezers, air conditioners, and washing machines/clothes dryers

What are covered by Home Appliance Recycling Law, or the law for recycling four specified kinds of home appliances, i.e. CRT-, LCD-, or PDP-based TVs, refrigerators/freezers, air conditioners, washing machines/clothes dryers, need to be taken back to appliance retailers for disposal. Ask the appliance retailer from which you bought the item to be discarded or another retailer from which you are going to buy a replacement to handle its disposal.

<To check for details, call Home Appliance Recycling Center of Home Appliances Association at 0120-31-9640 (Mon. through Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or visit <http://www.rkc.aeha.or.jp/>.

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Items		Recycling charges (including tax)
TV (CRT-, LCD-, or PDP-based)	15-inch or smaller	¥1,836
	16-inch or larger	¥2,916
Refrigerator/Freezer	170-liter or smaller	¥3,672
	171-liter or larger	¥4,644
Washing machine/Clothes dryer		¥2,484
Air conditioner		¥1,404

※Recycling charges may differ depending on the manufacturer.

## **In case of waste you directly bring into disposal site (Charged)**

When you have a large amount of garbage or waste produced from business or temporarily generated from home at the time of moving-in or moving-out, you may ask a general waste disposal operator in your district area to pick it up or you may directly bring it into the waste incineration plant called Senboku Clean Center by yourself.

Sort your waste by kind before bringing it into the site, and follow instructions from site officials when you dispose of it.

When you dispose of your waste by yourself, wear comfortable clothes and take particular care not to fall, stumble, or slip down at the site.

### **【Carry-in procedures】**

Obtain a copy of “carry-in general waste disposal application form” in advance and fill it in with your personal seal on. Then, submit the document when you have brought your waste to the Senboku Clean Center by car.

### **【Where to obtain the application form】**

“Carry-in general waste application form” is available at Living Environment Department at Izumi City Hall, Izumi city plaza branch office, North service center, South service center, and Kohmyoudai service center.

※Also, the application form can be downloaded from the following website of Senboku Kankyo Seibi Shisetu Kumiai, Association for environmental improvement facilities in the Senboku region.

<http://www.senbokukankyo-ichikumi.org/hannyu.html>

Facility name	Senboku Clean Center (Association for environmental improvement facilities in the Senboku region)
Location	87 Maicho, Izumi City
Telephone	4 1 - 2 0 3 0
Open (Carry-in hours)	Mon. through Fri. (except for holidays) 12:45 to 16:30
Handling charge	¥150 per 10 kg of carried-in waste

## **Uncollectable waste items includes:**

Automobile parts (tires, wheels, etc.), motorcycles, car batteries, fireproof safes, fire extinguishers, gas cartridges, farm equipment, solar-powered water heater, industrial equipment, construction waste material, roof tiles, tiles, paints (liquid or solid), debris, bricks, blocks, earth and sand, slate, concrete, drums, solar-powered heaters, bathtubs, ceramic washstands, kitchen sinks, toilet bowls, pianos, bowling balls, kitchen units, explosives (flammable liquids such as kerosene and gasoline, and gunpowder), medical equipment (syringes, needles, etc.), medicines, computers, electrical appliances covered by Home Appliance Recycling Law (TVs, refrigerators/freezers, air conditioners, washing machines/clothes dryers), animal carcasses, etc.

◎Ask professional waste disposers or retailers from whom you bought to dispose of these items.

◎Consult medical institutions regarding the disposal of syringes and needles.

◎Ask construction companies to take waste material away.

## **To prevent your garbage from scattered by crows, cats or other wild animals**

Crows are color-sensitive and cats have a good sense of smell. Once a garbage place set on a street or road side has got littered by them, it is highly likely to be littered again. To keep your living quarters from getting littered by crows, cats, etc., take preventive measures listed below, which are considered effective.

1. Eliminate leftover food to reduce food waste.
2. Use a protective net to cover a stack of garbage bags at a collection point or a trash can with a lid.

Garbage contained even in a lidded trash can is sure to be collected. It is recommended that you use a square trash can integrated with a lid.

※A cylindrical trash can would be more likely to be blown down or tumbled around by a strong wind, and a separate-type lid would be more easily to be blown away.

## **Illegal dumping constitutes a crime !**

Illegally dumping waste with no good reason is banned by Waste Management and Public Cleansing Law. Strict penalties are imposed on offenders, who face up to five-year imprisonment or a fine not exceeding 10 million yen.