

Hokuto City How to sort your waste

Categories	Collection day in your area	Colour of the designated garbage bag	Waste items and how to dispose	Fill the designated garbage bag with no more than 10kg of waste. Drop at the designated location by 8 am the day of collection.
Compost	Every week	Dark yellow	Fish and vegetable scraps, eggshells etc. Food scraps Weeds and grass Small shellfish such as Shijimi and Asari (little freshwater mussels and littleneck clams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not include big shellfish. Discard as regular waste. Drain well Do not double up bags Do not mix with other garbage. Compost only Weeds (For large quantities, place in a transparent plastic bag)
Burnable garbage	Every week	Blue	VHS, CDs etc. Plastic toys Leather shoes Sneakers Socks, T-shirts, Underwear, Light clothing Icepacks Sticks, Wooden board, Branches Burnable cat litter Diapers, Sanitary products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length less than 30cm Sticks, wooden board and branches that are less than 30cm long and less than 5cm in diameter Burnable cat litter should be disposed as burnable garbage
Plastic containers	Every week	Transparent	Detergent and shampoo containers Convenience store bento boxes and instant noodle containers Plastic bags Plastic containers Food trays Styrofoam Plastic bottle caps and labels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plastic containers that you cannot wash thoroughly should be disposed as burnable garbage Plastic toys and stationery should be disposed as burnable garbage
Special Burnable garbage	Twice a month Week (.)	Dark green	Heavy clothing such as winter coats and suits Cushions and blankets Curtains Garbage bins Purses and bags Boots Large plastic containers Soccer balls, etc. Hoses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Items bigger than 30cm Clothing can be recycled at city hall in the designated bag.
Non-burnable garbage	Twice a month Week (.)	Red	Plates, Plant pots, Glass Computers Clams, Surf clams, Oysters CD players, Radios, Electronics Light bulbs Small home appliances (Items must completely fit in the designated bag) Kitchen items (kettles, pots, knives, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrap broken glass in paper for safe handling Items too large or heavy for a bag are considered oversized items Delete personal data from computers before disposing Purple bags can also be used. (Previously used for metal waste)
Recycling	Twice a month Week (.)	Empty cans (Green)	Rinse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rinse Can lids should be disposed as non-burnable garbage
		Empty bottles (Yellow)	Remove bottle caps Rinse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rinse Remove bottle caps
		Plastic bottles (Orange)	Only recycle plastic bottles with this mark on the label or bottle. Remove bottle caps Remove labels Rinse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rinse Remove caps and labels. Only dispose the bottle
		Aerosol can (Transparent bags)	Remove bottle caps (Cans must be empty)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not puncture a hole Do not mix with other garbage. Always dispose separately.
		Paper (Tie well)	Books and magazines Newspaper Tetra packs Cardboard boxes Flyers Paper and cardboard packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please participate in your local recycling program Sort items before bundling. Do not mix different materials. Magazines should be bundled together and securely tied.
Oversized garbage	Twice a month Week (.)	Appointment required Call before 3pm the day before pick up (See phone numbers below) Fees Purchase stickers in advance	Duvets, Carpets, Tatami etc. Bicycles Bedframes, Mattresses Sofas Gas stoves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Items that too large or heavy for the designated bags Purchase stickers for ¥520 and affix to each item Drop off fee is ¥310 (cash only) When making appointments on holidays, call Recycle Clean Hokuto. Closed on Sundays.
Hazardous waste	Drop off at designated boxes throughout the city			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designated boxes can be found at city hall, general branch office, city centre office and community centre, etc.
Unaccepted Waste City waste program will not accept these items.	Televisions Air conditioners Fridges, Freezers Laundry machines and dryers Medication Concrete, Soil, Sand, etc. Auto parts Oil tanks Fire extinguishers, Gas cylinders Pianos, Organs, Electronic-keyboards Motorbikes			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TVs, Laundry machines and dryers, Fridges, Freezers, Air conditioners Inquire with the store you purchased from or other electronic stores Other hazardous items Inquire with the store you purchased from or a waste management company

■ If you have a large volume of garbage to dispose, consider using a specialized processing company. If you sort it yourself, make sure designated bags are used and drop off at Recycling Hokuto.
 ■ The city waste program should not be used for industrial waste or garbage. (contact a company that specializes in industrial waste management)
 ■ Max 5 bags per pick up ■ Pick up will be cancelled if items are not sorted properly ■ Pick up time may vary depending on traffic and weather conditions.

Inquiry line City environment division **TEL73-3111** (Extension 122~124) **Recycling Hokuto TEL74-4250**
 Hokuto-City Dateno 107-1

Area	Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D	Area E	Area F	Area G	Area H	Area I	Area J	Area K		
Area	Nanaehama, Oiwake, Oiwake 1,2, Oiwake 5-7	Oiwake 3,4	Kunibetsu 1,2 Kunibetsu 4,5 Higashihama 1	Kunibetsu 3, Higashihama 2	Chuo, Inari, Shouwa	Nakanodori, Nakano, Kiyokawa, Nozaki	Tokiwa, Koendori, Daikugawa, Oshiage, Soeyama	Sakuratai, Mizunashi, Miyoshi, Dateno, Taniyoshi, Tomigawa	Yafurai, Moheji, Mohejichinowatari, Toubetsu, Mitsuishi	Hongou, Ichinowatari, Murayama, Nakayama, Inasato, Shirakawa, Hosoiro, Kaihatsu, Mukaiino	Honchou, Higashimae, Hagino, Ippongi, Chiyoda, Shimizukawa, Minamiono, Fumizuki, Murauchi		
Compost	Every Tuesday and Friday			Every Monday and Thursday				Every Wednesday and Saturday		Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Wednesday and Saturday		
Burnable garbage	Every Thursday				Every Friday							Every Saturday	Every Friday
Plastic containers	Every Monday				Every Tuesday							Every Wednesday	Every Tuesday
Special Burnable garbage	Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month				Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month							Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month
Non-burnable garbage	Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month				Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month							Every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month
Recycling	Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month			Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month	Every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month	Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month	Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month		
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