Sort it right and avoid the third strike!

Kia tika te kōmiri kia kore ai te tautuku tuatoru e haukuru

Putting the wrong items in your bins costs us all. Contaminated bins take more time and money to sort, and when contamination is high, even good materials can end up in landfill instead of being recycled or composted. That's unfair to those doing the right thing and impacts the whole community.

To help reduce this, we use a **Three Strikes** system:



First strike: A sticker on your bin and this guide to help you sort it right.



Second strike: Another bin sticker and guide – a second chance to get it right.



Third strike: Your bin may be removed for three months under Council's local bylaw.

We'd much rather help you get it right, than take your bin away. If you're unsure about what goes where, scan the QR code to visit our website or call our Customer Services team on 07 306 0500 or email info@whakatane.govt.nz - we're here to help.

Whakatāne Resource
Recovery Centre

60 Te Tahi Street, Whakatāne

Murupara Resource Recovery Centre Harakeke Road, Murupara



Your guide to

GreenwastePara tipu

in the Whakatāne District

Let's sort it right. Here's your guide to what can and can't go in your kerbside greenwaste bin.

Getting it right means your greenwaste can be turned into high-quality compost, reducing landfill and creating fertiliser that's great for our gardens and the environment.





Greenwaste Para tipu







Weeds



Leaves



Fibrous leaves like flax, palms and yucca*



Timber, logs over 10cm diameter



Old plants



Small branches and twigs



Flowers



Soil, dirt



Rubbish

- The items with a tick can be turned into valuable compost keeping them out of landfill.
- The items with a cross can't be composted please keep them out of your greenwaste bin.





Foodwaste





*Fibrous leaves don't break down as quickly as other plants and affects the compost process.

For more information on greenwaste go to: whakatane.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/greenwaste

