

## DID YOU KNOW – AEROSOL CANS

Empty aerosol cans can be recycled at the Waste Management Centre. There is a dedicated disposal chute at the Centre for aerosol cans located opposite the re-use area.

Previously, aerosol cans were collected in a wheelie bin at the Centre. These bins are now used for household battery collection. We are certainly creatures of habit - the signage has changed to reflect the new disposal locations for aerosol cans and batteries however, we are still finding aerosol cans placed in the battery collection wheelie bins.



*Signage at the Waste Management Centre*

Please ensure you **DO NOT** place aerosol cans in the general waste (non-recyclable) area. This waste is taken to Headstone Disposal Centre where it is burnt. If an aerosol can is placed in an area of heat and fire, the can will explode due to the increased gas pressure within the can. These explosions can cause a safety risk to anyone in close proximity to the fire.

Aerosol cans are commonly used for personal care, cooking oils, whipped cream and pest sprays. If you use aerosol cans, aim to buy bulk size where possible and look for alternatives such as reusable pump sprays for cooking oils.

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