

We have partly updated our waste separation system

We ask for your kind cooperation in heeding the new recommendations.

What' s new?

Food & beverage paper cartons

Milk cartons, alcohol cartons and other beverage or food cartons are no longer considered "Paper" but are now handled as "Burnable garbage" .

(Note: Food & beverage cartons can be disposed of at some supermarkets within Kobayashi.)

Plastic wraps, tubes and small plastic bags

Plastic wraps, tubes and small plastic bags have been moved from "Plastic containers and packaging" to "Burnable garbage" .

However, if rinsed and clean on the inside, such items may be thrown away as "Plastic containers and packaging" in the same manner as before.

(Note: The size of the small plastic bag should not exceed roughly 1/2 of A4.)

Medical waste

Medical waste, such as "Stoma," "Urinary bag," "Catheter and tube without needles," "(CAPD (peritoneal dialysis)," "Stoma bag," "Nutrient bag," "Gloves used during home health care" are now handled as "Burnable garbage" regardless of the material. As this is considered safest from the perspective of hygiene.

(Note: Injection needles and tubes with needles attached to them need to be disposed of through a hospital due to infectiousness.)

Water absorbent sheets

Water absorbent sheets such as can be found underneath meat or fish are now handled as “Burnable garbage,” regardless of the material.

PET bottles

PET bottles should be thrown away as “Recyclable garbage” after removing the label.

(Note: **Caps** and **labels** should be disposed of as “Plastic,” **paper labels** as “Burnable garbage.”)

Small appliances with built-in lithium-ion batteries

Small appliances with built-in lithium-ion batteries (“power banks”) or (“e-cigarettes”) have been moved from “Unburnable garbage” to “Recyclable garbage (batteries).”

Effective from?

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