### **USEFUL TIPS**

- Place newspaper or brown paper
- at the bottom of the countertop bin to absorb excess liquid and reduce odors.
- Keep highly perishable foods (meat and fish) in the freezer.
- Sprinkle a little baking soda on materials that are starting to give off unpleasant odours.
- Avoid leaving your bins in the sun or near a heat source.
- Always keep the lids of your countertop and brown bins tightly closed.
- Clean your bins regularly.



Empty the contents of the countertop bin into the brown bin. Make sure to close the brown bin afterward.

### By-law concerning collection services (16-049)

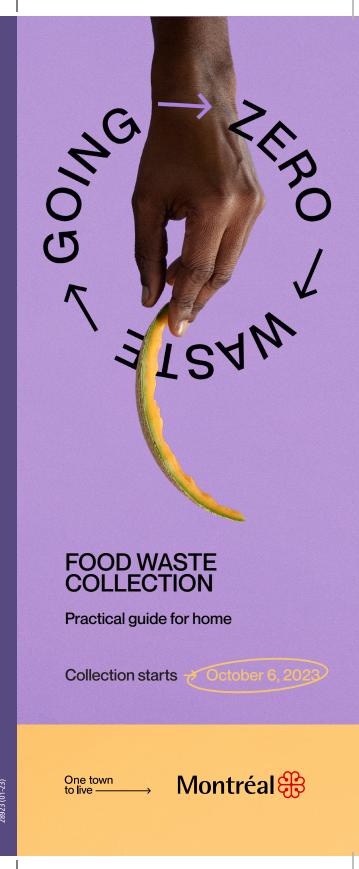
Disposal of food waste materials in the garbage, putting your bins curbside outside of the collection schedule, and deliberately causing damage to the bins is prohibited, and may be subject to a fine.

#### **Reduce food waste**

You can save up to \$1,000 a year by not wasting the food you buy. How? By planning your purchases better, storing your food properly and freezing your leftovers. By following these steps as often as possible, you can reduce the amount of food thrown away in your brown bin.



For more information, visit **Montréal.ca** or call **311**.



### By using your brown bin

for your food waste, you're giving a second life to materials that don't belong in the garbage.

## ACCEPTED MATERIALS $\checkmark$





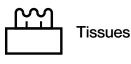
Brown paper and paper towels



Wooden or heavily soiled cardboard food boxes



Heavily soiled cardboard or wooden dishes



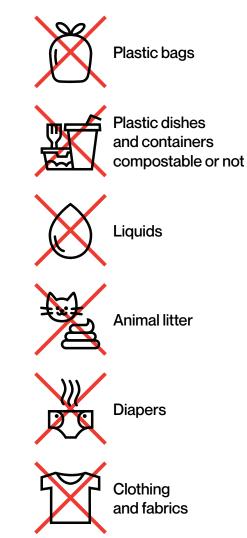
#### Raw, cooked or spoiled foods

- $\checkmark$  Fruits and vegetables
- ✓ Meat and poultry with or without bones
- ✓ Fish and bones, seafood and shells
- ✓ Grain products such as dough, bread, cake, and rice
- $\checkmark$  Eggs and eggshells
- ✓ Solid dairy products (cheese, butter and yogurt)
- ✓ Tea leaves or coffee grounds with paper bags or filters
- ✓ Nuts and shells
- $\checkmark$  Cookies, sweets and desserts
- ✓ Pet food
- $\checkmark\,$  Spices and herbs

#### Soiled paper and cardboard

- ✓ Tissues, paper towels, napkins
- ✓ Paper tablecloth, cardboard or wooden dishes
- ✓ Food boxes
- $\checkmark$  Cardboard fruit baskets

# $\mathsf{REFUSED}\,\mathsf{MATERIALS}\,{\pmb{\times}}$



Household hazardous

waste

× Plastic bags

- × Plastic dishes and containers compostable or not
- × Polystyrene and plastic wrapping
- × Liquids (soup, milk, juice, coffee, etc.)
- × Animal litter and waste
- × Diapers and sanitary products
- $\times$  Clothing and fabrics
- × Cork, wax, hot ashes, cigarette butts
- $\times$  Chewing gum
- × Recyclable materials (clean paper, packaging and cardboard containers, plastic, metal and glass)
- × Construction and renovation materials (earth, rock, sand, wood, ceramic, porcelain)
- × Medicines and biomedical waste
- × Household hazardous waste