

Please share the following information with ALL your group participants before you begin.

# COMMUNITY CLEAN UP 2023



BurlingtonGreen  
Together we make a difference

Community  
**Clean up**  
**Green up**

March to October

Help us reach 15,000 participants this year for BurlingtonGreen's 15th anniversary!

The poster features a globe in the top right, silhouettes of people cleaning in a field, and a green banner at the bottom with yellow stars.



**NEW THIS YEAR!**

BURLINGTONGREEN

**LITTER LEAGUE**

FUNDRAISING CHALLENGE!

Double Your IMPACT!  
[www.burlingtongreen.org/litter-league](http://www.burlingtongreen.org/litter-league)



The logo is circular with a hand dropping litter into a bin. It includes a QR code and the website URL.

**1**

All participants must review and agree to the **Volunteer Participant Consent Waiver** posted on the [burlingtongreen.org](http://burlingtongreen.org) Clean Up event information page

**2**



Review & Follow Halton's COVID-19 Guidelines & Restrictions

Wear gloves & wash your hands

**3**

Do not work alone. Stay with your group & communicate potential hazards

**4**

Exercise caution at all times, watch for traffic & be aware!

**5**



Some examples of items you should NOT pick up:

- Medical waste (needles or gloves)
- Oil cans or filters
- Dead animals
- Sharp objects
- Chemicals or Unlabelled containers

**6**

Report any suspicious or concerning items to the City of Burlington

**Clear Bags:** use to collect CLEAN recyclable materials (as clean as they would be in your household blue box)

**Black or Yellow Bags:** use to collect all other waste materials (including dirty recyclables, gloves etc.)

**Gloves:** Please provide your own REUSABLE gloves if possible, otherwise use the disposable gloves provided

Participate in the **Canada Butt Blitz** too!



Drop off your collected butts to BurlingtonGreen

Register for the Butt Blitz at: [www.agreenerfuture.ca/butt-blitz-2023-canada](http://www.agreenerfuture.ca/butt-blitz-2023-canada)

Visit [burlingtongreen.org](http://burlingtongreen.org) to **donate today!**



# Litter Collection

- To reduce plastic bag waste, combine partially filled bags to make full bags of recyclables and garbage
- Take your bags home with you to dispose of through your regular curbside collection and waste pick-up services
- **Send an email to [cugu@burlingtongreen.org](mailto:cugu@burlingtongreen.org)** to let us know how much waste you collected and be sure to send us your group clean up photo too!



**Note: the City will NOT pick up collected waste left at school, parks or business properties. Please use your existing curbside waste collection and/or pickup provider.**

## Green Cart Acceptable Items

Fruits and vegetables, salads, tofu, nuts and shells

Breads and grains, cereal, pizza, pasta, couscous, rice and oatmeal

Baked goods, cake, cookies, pie, muffins and candy

Meat, fish, and shellfish including bones

Eggs and egg shells

Dairy products, cheese and yogurt

Tea bags, coffee grounds and filters

Fats, oils, butter, sauces, syrups, peanut butter and jams

Paper plates and cups (no lids), paper take-out food containers, paper egg cartons, baking paper, paper towels and tissues, shredded paper

**Other acceptable items include:** Human and pet hair, houseplants, popsicle sticks, sawdust and cold wood ashes (in paper bags)

**Remember:** No plastic, glass, metal, Styrofoam, stickers, elastics, diapers or pet waste.

## Blue Box Acceptable Items

Plastic bags and plastic overwrap (clean, dry and empty)

Plastic containers and bottles (no film, foil or caps)

Plastic dinnerware, food containers and disposable containers (no cutlery)

Plastic plant pots and trays (free of dirt)

Boxed beverage containers (Tetra Paks®, milk and juice cartons) and cardboard cans

Metal pots, pans and baking sheets

Metal food and beverage cans, aluminum foil and trays

Glass bottles and jars

Newspapers, flyers, fine paper, magazines, books and envelopes (including plastic windows)

Boxboard - flattened cereal, cracker and tissue boxes (liners go in garbage)

Empty, dry metal paint cans (lids removed)

Corrugated cardboard (tie in bundles no larger than 120 cm x 120 cm x 30 cm)

**Remember:** No Styrofoam.

## Garbage Acceptable Items

Plastic baggies, food wrap and bubble wrap

Chip and cookie bags, wrappers, cracker and cereal liner bags

Styrofoam

Household items e.g. hangers, furnace filter, vacuum bags

Plastic cutlery, stir sticks and straws

Wooden food crates

Diapers and sanitary products

Damaged gift wrap, ribbons and bows

Cold cigarette butts and ashes

Pet waste

Light bulbs (not CFLs), ceramics and drinking glasses (wrap in newspaper)

Disposable mop sheets, sanitizing wipes, baby wipes and dryer sheets

**Can be collected /recycled for the Butt Blitz**  
details at [burlingtongreen.org](http://burlingtongreen.org)



For the purposes of your community clean up event, place clean recyclables in clear bags and any garbage or potential organic waste in black/ yellow bags.

**Please note:** these Halton Region sorting instructions have been adapted to support Community Clean Up events. For HOME sorting, please be sure to use your Green Cart for compostable paper and food waste.