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Material		Special notes
Batteries (large – car, motorcycle or golf trolley)		● Must be complete and undamaged batteries.
Batteries (small – household)		● Small household batteries can be placed in a clear plastic bag on top of the lid of your refuse bin. Small batteries can also be taken to any electrical retailers. Most supermarkets have a battery drop facility.
Bicycles and other sports equipment		● Sports equipment must be in working order and safe to use. If not in working order but metal, treat as scrap metal.
Books	●	● Paperback and hardback books are accepted
Bric-a-Brac	●	● Items such as vases, paintings and ornaments, etc. Must be in good condition as these are collected for re-use.
Cans, tins and aerosols	●	◇ ● Please rinse all cans and tins – aerosols should be empty.
Cardboard (small)	●	● This includes cereal boxes, shoe boxes, small sized corrugated cardboard, or egg boxes. Please remove any plastic or polystyrene packaging.
Cardboard (large)		● This includes large pieces of cardboard that cannot fit in your recycling bin, such as: large electrical items boxes, furniture boxes, large sized corrugated cardboard. Please remove any plastic or polystyrene packaging.
Carpet		● Carpet is accepted at the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre but it currently cannot be recycled.
Cartons	●	● For example, milk or juice cartons.
Cooking oil		● Please bring oil to the site in a sealed container and empty into the appropriate container.
DVDs and CDs		● Must be in good condition as they are collected for reuse.
Electrical items (small)		● This includes blenders and mixers, hairdryers, hair straighteners, irons, small vacuum cleaners, stereo and audio equipment, toasters, video and DVD players. ◇ ● Please ensure that the items are removed from packaging. Any electrical item that cannot fit into the opening of an electrical recycling bank (51cm by 52cm) can be taken to the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre. Alternatively contact 123 Recycle For Free to book a free household collection on 0207 993 6554.

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Electrical items (large)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes computers, dishwashers, fridges and freezers (empty), large vacuum cleaners, lawnmowers, microwave ovens, televisions, washing machines, tumble dryers. Alternatively contact 123 Recycle For Free to book a free household collection on 0207 993 6554. Please ensure that the items are removed from packaging.
Engine oil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please take oil to the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre in a sealed container and empty into the appropriate containers.
Foil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes food trays, take away containers and milk bottle tops. Please make sure that all foil has been washed clean. At recycling banks place in the can bank.
Food waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes any cooked or uncooked food, bread, dairy products, eggs and egg shells, fish, fruit, pastries, pasta, rice, tea or coffee grounds and vegetables. Food waste can be placed loose in your brown bin, or you can use a compostable or paper liner bearing the seedling logo. Check the council's website for retailers of compostable liners.
Furniture (domestic)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For information on furniture re-use schemes visit the furniture re-use page on the council website. This includes furniture made from MDF or chipboard. Separate sheets of MDF and chipboard, or broken furniture, are accepted at the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre.
Gas bottles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undamaged bottles only.
Glass bottles and jars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please rinse. Plastic and metal tops/lids can be placed in your blue bin separately for recycling.
Glasses (spectacles)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading/vision glasses only. Not drinking glasses. No cases.
Garden waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes leaves, grass cuttings, hedge clippings and small branches. No garden waste in plastic bags. Branches up to 20cm (8 inches) diameter, and up to 60cm (24 inches) in length, can be placed in your green garden waste bin. Tree trunks and thicker branches can be accepted at the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre.
Hard plastics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hard plastics (which includes garden furniture, children's toys, storage boxes) are accepted at the Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre.
Light bulbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Energy efficient bulbs, LED bulbs and fluorescent tubes only. Please remove tubes from any light fittings.
Mobile phones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please remove SIM cards. Unwanted mobile phones can also be taken to some charities and mobile phone retailers.
Paint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We accept emulsion, gloss, eggshell, undercoat, primer, masonry and exterior paints.
Paper and books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes hardback and paperback books, newspapers, printer paper, magazines, catalogues, greeting cards, paper wrapping, telephone directories, junk mail, shredded paper (loose) and envelopes (including window envelopes and staples are acceptable).
Plasterboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Plastic bags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many supermarkets have bag recycling points.
Plastic packaging and plastic bottles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This includes plastic bottles, disposable plastic cups, food trays, fruit punnets, pots and margarine tubs. No plastic wrapping, cling film or polystyrene – these go in the black bin.
Rubble/Hardcore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only six rubble bags, once per month per household. are accepted from work that you have done yourself in your own home. The site is not licensed to accept commercial waste. If you wish to take a van to the site you will need to make an appointment. We do not accept asbestos, buckets or other building materials.

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Scrap metal	● No pressurised containers such as gas bottles or fire extinguishers.
Shoes and textiles	<p>This includes blankets and bedding materials, clothes, fabrics and shoes (tied together in pairs) – duvets, sleeping bags and pillows cannot be recycled. If you cannot recycle your textiles at the recycling banks or Summers Lane Reuse and Recycling Centre please contact the council on tel: 020 8359 4600 or email: sbs@barnet.gov.uk to arrange a special textiles collection.</p>
Toner cartridges	●
Tools	● Non electrical, in working order and safe for reuse. If not in working order but metal, treat as scrap metal.
Tree trunks and thick branches	● Smaller branches can be placed in the green garden waste bin.
Tyres	● Tyres can only be accepted if separated from the metal wheel and rim.
Vinyl records	● Must be in good condition as they are collected for reuse.
Wood/timber	● Please remove all brackets and fittings.
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