

# Guide to Separating and Sorting Recyclables and Garbage in Tahara City

Refer to the Japanese edition for the calendar of collection days.

## Burnable Garbage

Burnable materials within 30cm square in size (except recyclable waste)  
Dirty papers and clothes, leather products, shoes, bags, diapers, etc.

★ Take out with designated bags  
★ Disposable diapers is to be placed in a transparent bag before discarding

## Raw garbage / Food waste

Food waste, cooking waste, leftovers and other food items that have turned into garbage.

★ Drain water and place the inner plastic bag or drainer net in the designated garbage bag for food waste, separate and dispose them at the garbage station.  
(Raw garbage should be disposed in the yellow containers. Separate from burnable garbage.)

## Paper Products

Newspapers, magazines, miscellaneous paper, (advertising papers, postcards and envelopes), cardboards, paper cartons. (milk, juices etc)

★ It is not permitted to put out in rainy.  
★ Tie the newspapers, magazines, cardboard boxes, and paper cartons separately, and tie the knot into a cross pattern.  
★ For recycling miscellaneous paper, put them in the paper bag or tie them up with magazines.  
★ Rinse the paper cartons, cut them open and tie them up into a cross pattern before recycling.

## Fabric Products

Clothes, underwear, blankets, cloth curtain etc.  
[\* You have to go to the Recycling Center to put out articles with wadded cotton such as futons and carpet.] (Excluding clothes)

★ It is not permitted to put out in rainy.  
★ Put out with a transparent bag

## Empty cans

Cans such as beer, juice, food, aerosol or insecticide

Aluminum cans   
Steel cans

★ Wash out before put out  
★ Completely use up aerosol contents. Do not punch a hole on aerosol cans.

## Electric Appliances

Appliances, battery-powered items such as PCs, toys and clocks etc. (except 4 types of home appliances)  
[\* Items that do not fit in the container must be dropped off to the respective recycling center.]

## Small Metal

Items that are mainly made of metal and cannot be disassembled. Such as frying pans, pots, knives, scissors, kettles, spoons, foils, metal toys, umbrellas.  
[\* Items that do not fit in the container must be dropped off to the respective center (except umbrellas).]

## Hazardous Garbage

Fluorescents, Lights, LED bulbs, clinical mercury thermometers, mirrors and batteries such as used, rechargeable, button cells, Lithium-ion batteries.

★ You have to take off bags and boxes.

## Landfill Waste

Broken glass, cup, pottery such as rice bowls, broken bottles, lighters

★ Put them directly in the container. Wrap broken glasses safely.

## Crushable Waste

Burnable materials that are larger than 30cm square in size and can fit in a 45L garbage bag designated by the city. Items that contain metal or other materials and need to be disassembled. Plastic products such as buckets, planters, boots, hangers, video tapes, cassettes.  
[\* Items that do not fit in the 45L garbage bag designated by the city should be dropped off to the respective centers.]

★ Take out with designated bags

## PET Bottles

PET bottles (For drinks, alcoholics, soy-sauces, dressings and etc.)  
[\* Limited to those bearing the PET mark Please remove caps and labels. Those are 「Recyclable Plastics」.]

★ Remove the lid and the label, rinse and crush horizontally before recycling.  
★ Take it out from the plastic bag and put it directly in the green net bag.

## Plastics

It must be made of 100% plastic materials. (within 50 cm square, 5 mm thick and unsoiled) including items with plastic mark , white trays and Styrofoam  
Detergent and shampoo containers, cup noodles and pudding cups, egg and tofu packs, candy bags, sauce, cooking oil and dressing bottles, colored trays, plastic bottle lids, CDs and DVDs, plastic buckets, basins, spoons and forks, etc.

★ Cleanse with water before put out (Cleanse oil bottles until oil stops dripping).  
★ Put in a blue net bag directly after taking out of bags.  
★ Please close the mesh bag after placing the garbage in the mesh bag.

## Glass Bottles

Glass bottle.  
[\* Put [broken glass bottles and dirty bottles] into 「Landfill garbage」.]

Colorless and transparent  
Brown / Other

★ Remove caps and wash out inside before throwing out  
★ Put out directly in the container after taking out from bags.

## Request

- It is prohibited by law to dispose of garbage on days and at places other than specified. Please follow the sorting classification accordingly and dispose them at the designated place on the collection date.
- Please put out garbage between 6 and 8 A.M. on the specified day.
- Please follow your district's garbage disposal policy.

It may cause a problem if you put out garbage to another area.

- It is prohibited to burn garbage at outside. Please follow the ways of disposing of garbage. If you don't follow that, you will be punished under Japanese law
- Garbage collection may be cancelled at the discretion of the community association in the event of strong winds, etc.

## Inquiry

\*Inquiries are accepted in Japanese only.

«Inquiry concerning waste»  
● Tahara City Hall Waste Management Division Tel:23-3538

**Burnable waste**  
● Tahara Municipal Waste Transfer Station

«Carrying-in time»  
from Mondays to Fridays : between 8:30 A.M and 4:30 P.M  
Saturdays and other holidays : between 8:30 A.M and 12:00 P.M

When dropping off the waste directly to the respective center, please bring something that shows your address.

These centers are closed on Mondays, holidays and at the Year-end and New Year holidays. (December 31 to January 5)

**Garbage except for 「Burnable garbage」**

- Tobu Recycling Center, Tel:27-0100
- Akabane Environment Center, Tel:45-3497
- Atsumi Recycling Center, Tel:32-3322

«Carrying-in time»  
for Tuesdays to Sundays : between 8:30 A.M and 12 P.M and 1 P.M and 4:30 P.M

When dropping off the waste directly to the respective center, please bring something that shows your address.

These centers are closed on Monday, holidays and at the beginning/end of year (December 31 ~ January 5)

## Garbage that cannot be disposed at garbage stations

### Oversized garbage

Items that do not fit in the containers at garbage stations or in a garbage bag designated by the city  
Designated place  
Respective recycling centers/stations

### Branches of tree

lbranches, bamboos and grasses  
Cut within 2 meters and separate the trunk from the branches.  
Designated place  
Akabane Environment Center (45-3497)

### Used cooking oil

vegetable oil from household  
Put in a PET bottle.  
Bring-in place  
any recycling and environment centers, City Hall, City Hall branches, supermarkets, etc.  
Details are posted on the Tahara city website.

## Garbage that cannot be collected by the city

### 4 types of home appliances

TVs, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, clothes driers, air conditioners

- Request a pick up service to an electronics retail store
- Request for a pick up service at "Tahara-shi Seiso Jigyo Kyodo Kumiai"
- Carry the product to the manufacturer's designated pickup location on your own.

### Materials that are difficult to dispose

fire extinguishers, tires, motorcycles, batteries, gas cylinders, pianos, syringes, etc.

- Request to the dealer or a professional disposal company

## Lightweight truck rental services

The lightweight truck rental service is available (for a fee) for transporting oversized garbage and trimmed branches.  
For more information, please visit the city website or contact the Tobu Recycling Center.

## Door-to-door collection of oversize garbage

We will come to your house (street boundary) to collect your household oversize garbage. ( Paid service)  
Call Tahara City Oversize Garbage Reception Center (0531-37-1853).  
Hours of operation  
(Weekdays from 8:30a.m.to noon/from 1:00p.m.to 4:00p.m.)