

Your cooperation is requested in separating plastic containers and packaging for refuse collection



Look for the “プラ/Pla” (=plastic) mark!

What is included

Anything with the “プラ/Pla mark” (above right) and also any of the following even if they don't have the “プラ/Pla mark”.

1. Containers or packaging that are made of plastic;
2. Plastic wrapping used for products
3. Surplus plastic left over after using products.



Caps from plastic bottles



Food trays



Egg packaging, cushion packaging used for fruits and vegetables



Styrofoam



Outer film of plastic bottles



Outer bags for candy and bread etc.



Cup noodles, pudding containers/cups



Containers for Tofu etc.

How to throw away plastic containers and packaging

- 1 Remove any metal or paper parts, lightly wash the container, and let it dry
*Stickers can be left on

- 2 Place in a transparent or semi-transparent plastic bag, put out on collection days which are twice a month.

Please also make use of the recycling stations available at supermarkets etc.

Shopping bags, medicine containers, and other bags coated with aluminum foil etc. can also be thrown out with plastic packaging/containers.



Stuff that cannot be thrown away as plastic containers

You cannot throw away dirty containers and other types of (non-packaging) plastics.

Refer to image on right →
Please throw these out as burnable rubbish



Tubes such as mayonnaise, toothpaste etc.,



CD, DVDs



Plastic toys



Boil-in-the-bag curry etc.



Toothbrushes, buckets, washbowls



Hangers

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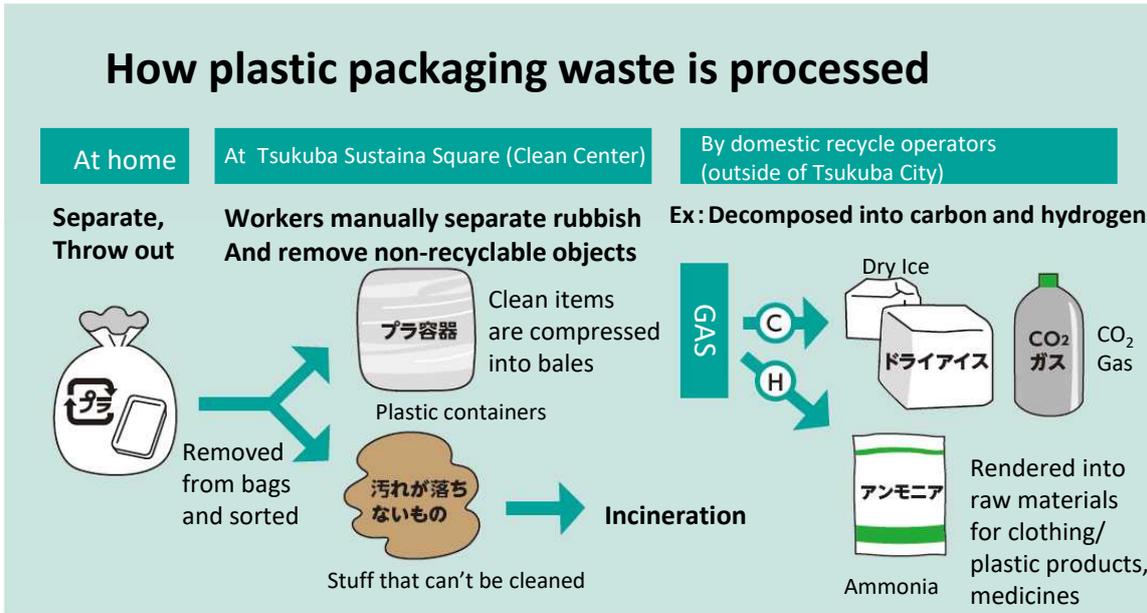


Don't forget to check out Hookunsencho's video explaining how to separate and throw out plastic containers and packaging! Only available in Japanese.



Why do we need to separate plastic rubbish?

The separating and collection of plastic rubbish not only contributes to creating a zero-waste society, but also helps the city to recycle and reduce its amount of waste. By not wasting limited resources and re-using them wherever possible, we can promote resource circulation. Plastic that is collected from your rubbish is first of all processed at the recycle center located within Sustaina Square (Clean Center), and then recycled into products such as resin raw materials and solid fuels.



What is the Recycle Centre?



This is an intermediary processing facility that began operations in April 2019, to process recyclable waste such as bottles and cans. These facilities are capable of processing 26 tons per day of oversize/non-combustible waste (in 5 hours), and 34 tons per day of recyclable waste (in 5 hours).

The separation and throwing out of trash is crucial to improving processing capacity. So, please do your bit by separating out your waste when throwing it out.