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YOU ASKED: WHERE CAN I RECYCLE PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS?

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It's a question many local residents have likely pondered — what can I do with this growing collection of plastic shopping bags in my home?

Georgetown's Edward Tooke wondered the same thing and reached out to our newsroom to ask where he could take them locally for recycling.

To find out more, we looked to the experts at Halton Region, which operates the recycling program for all four local municipalities.

HERE'S WHAT WE LEARNED:

- The easiest way to recycle plastic grocery bags in Halton is actually in your household Blue Box. Clean, dry and empty plastic bags were added to the list of accepted materials in recent years and will be collected in the weekly recycling pickup.

- Residents are encouraged to bundle all plastic bags into one bag and tie it shut when recycling in the Blue Box to prevent them from blowing through the neighbourhood on windy days.

- Plastic shopping bags can also be dropped



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Plastic bags can be recycled through Halton's Blue Box program.

off for recycling (no cost) at the Halton Waste Management Site, located at 5400 Reg. Rd. 25, Milton.

- In addition, certain Walmart stores accept plastic bags for recycling, such as the location in Georgetown Market Place. Call your local store to confirm.

- For further details on local recycling programs visit halton.ca/waste.

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