

2026 Edition Household Garbage Separation & Disposal Instructions

-In order to create a recycling-based society, garbage is separated and collected to reduce waste and effectively use resources.
-If your designated garbage collection site is shared, please set out your garbage **by 8:00 AM**.
-Trash may not be picked up if taken out after 8am or if not separated properly.
-Kitchen waste is recycled through a composting program. If you do not already participate in the program, please apply.

Minakuchi
Version

Questions? Koka City Hall, Seikatsu Kankyo Ka Tel. 0748-69-2145

Burnable Garbage Kitchen Waste

Twice per Week

Mon. & Thurs. Minakuchi Ayano
Tue. & Fri. Iwagami Kibukawa Kashiwagi Bantani

-Place burnable garbage in a designated garbage bag, write your name on the bag and dispose.
-Reduce your food waste as much as possible.
***If you throw away any kitchen waste with your burnable garbage, please drain away any excess water.**

PET Bottles

-Beverage containers with the mark shown below are accepted.
-Empty the contents and rinse out.
-Place inside the correct blue mesh bag.
***Please remove all caps and labels and put them into plastic waste.**



Cans

-Juice, beer, canned goods cans, and candy tins up to 18 liters in volume are accepted.
-Empty contents and rinse with water.
***You do not need to separate aluminum cans from steel cans.**

Fluorescent Tubes

-Put light bulbs and fluorescent tubes (including broken ones) into the proper container. Dispose of LED light bulbs as metals and small electrical appliances.

Dead Batteries

- Take nickel-cadmium, nickel-metal hydride, lithium-ion, and small sealed lead-acid batteries to collection partner stores.
- Button-type batteries should be taken to the designated collection partner stores.
- Coin batteries (CR and BR) should be brought to the Seikatsu Kankyo Ka (Consumer and Environment Protection Division), Eco Station, or non-burnable garbage processing facilities with adhesive tape or similar (insulating material) attached.
***) Items not accepted at these stores can be taken to Eco Stations, non-burnable waste processing facilities, the Seikatsu Kankyo Ka, or Shimin Centers.**

Plastic Waste

*** there will be one week a month when there is no plastic waste collection.**

Mondays Iwagami Kashiwagi Kibukawa Bantani

Tuesdays Minakuchi Ayano

-Place plastic waste in a designated plastics-only bag, write your name on the bag and dispose.
-For stained items, please dispose with Burnable Garbage (see left).



Styrofoam

***Styrofoam and trays with the marks shown below are OK.**
-Rinse with water.
-Place inside the correct blue mesh bag.
-Colored trays are also accepted.
***Dispose instant noodle containers and other plastic trays as plastic garbage.**



4-Types of Home Appliances

AC/TV/Fridge(Freezer)/Washer(Dryer)

-The above appliances that cannot be returned to the store of purchase are accepted.
-Buy a disposal ticket at your local post office and call the disposal company below to schedule a pick-up.
-Items will be picked up in front of your home on the scheduled day.
**Company: Minakuchi Technos
TEL: 0748-62-5311**
-You can bring in directly to the designated pick-up station. Refer to Garbage Dictionary for more details.

Metals and Small Electrical Appliances

*** Dispose of "metals" and "small electrical appliances" together.**
- Metals =frying pans, pots, other metals aside from food cans (bulk garbage is not allowed).
-Bulk garbage & 4 Types of Home Appliances are not allowed.
***Please remove batteries and fuel from electrical appliances before throwing them away.**

Lighters

***Lighters are NOT landfill waste**
-Dispose only the lighters into the designated container.
-Please bring lighters to Seikatsu Kankyo Ka at Koka City Hall or your closest Chiiki Shimin Center.

Used Cooking Oil

-Pour used oil into a clear PET bottle, close the lid securely, and place it inside the collection area to dispose.
-Dispose of unopened products as is (i.e. sealed).
***Do not discard motor oil or fuel.**

Burnable & Non-Burnable Bulk Garbage

Items with a combined height, width, and depth of 1 meter or more.

-Buy bulk garbage disposal tickets at city hall or other distribution sites and call the disposal company below to schedule a pick-up (not including 4-Types of Home Appliances).
**Company: Minakuchi Technos
TEL: 0748-62-5311**
-Items will be picked up in front of your home on the scheduled day.
-Please call and make a request to dispose an oversized burnable garbage before bringing in directly to the Eisei Center. 50 yen per 10kg will apply.
-Non-burnable bulk garbage can also be taken directly to the processing center, but you still need to buy a ticket in advance.
***Please remove batteries and fuel from any electrical appliances before throwing them away.**

Waste Paper

Newspaper/Cardboard/Paper Cartons/Magazines

-Please separate waste paper as follows:
① Newspapers/newsletters (please tie up into bundles [up and across like a + sign] with string).
② Corrugated cardboard (also tie up into bundles).
③ Paper cartons with the mark below (left) should be washed, cut open, and dried.
④ Magazines, packing paper, cardboard boxes, envelopes, copy paper, and other paper products with the mark below (right) are accepted. (Please place small papers inside of magazines before disposing.)
***Paper cartons with silver foil on them are not accepted. Please throw them away with burnable garbage.**



Landfill

-Ceramics, glass, cosmetic bottles, etc.
***Do NOT put lighters into landfill.**

Disposal of Small Rechargeable Batteries (Lithium-Ion Batteries, Mobile Batteries, etc.)

- Never dispose of small rechargeable batteries at garbage collection sites. These batteries may cause fires in garbage collection vehicles or waste processing facilities due to the high risk of heat generation and ignition caused by damage, deformation, or impact.
- Manufacturers and import distributors of small rechargeable batteries are obligated to voluntarily collect and recycle them. To dispose of them, contact retailers (e.g., electronics stores or home improvement centers) to confirm whether they accept collections.
- If small rechargeable batteries cannot be collected by retailers, insulate the terminals with adhesive tape before bringing them to Eco Stations, non-burnable waste processing facilities (Minakuchi, Tsuchiyama, and Koka), the Seikatsu Kankyo Ka, or Chiiki Shimin Centers (local community center).

Minakuchi Eco Station

Recycling, Non-Burnables, Non-Burnable Bulk Garbage

Minakuchi-cho, Bannakayama 236-1
TEL 0748-65-0123

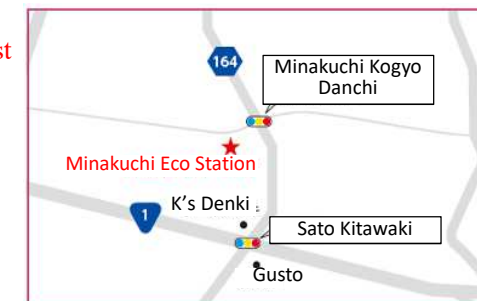
Open daily, From 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 5pm [except New Year's holidays]

***Closed from Dec. 31st to Jan. 3rd** (May also close unexpectedly due to weather, etc.)

-Accepts recyclables, non-burnables, and non-burnable bulk garbage.

-Before bringing bulk garbage, you must buy a bulk garbage disposal ticket (300 yen) at Koka City Hall or other location that sells tickets.

***When recycling waste plastic, please bring it in the designated plastics-only bag.**



Minakuchi Non-Burnable Garbage Processing Plant

Recycling, Non-Burnables, Non-Burnable Bulk Garbage

Minakuchi-cho, Minakuchi 6503-1
TEL 0748-63-3953

Open Tuesdays (Open on public holidays), every 1st & 3rd Saturday, every 2nd & 4th Sunday
From 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm
-Closed from Dec. 29th to Jan. 3rd (May also close unexpectedly due to weather, etc.)

-Accepts recyclables, non-burnables, and non-burnable bulk garbage.
-Before bringing bulk garbage, you must buy a bulk garbage disposal ticket (300 yen) at Koka City Hall, or other location that sells tickets.

Greater Koka Area Gov't Sanitation Center

Burnables, Large burnable

Minakuchi-cho, Minakuchi 6677
TEL 0748-62-5454

Open Mon - Fri [including holidays] 8:30 AM - 12 PM/1PM - 4:30 PM
-Closed from Dec. 31st to Jan. 3rd
-There is a fee of 50 yen per 10 kgs of garbage. -Please do not bring non-burnable items.
-Items will be accepted if put into designated burnable garbage bags (no charge).

*** When disposing of large burnable waste that exceeds 80 cm in total length, width and height per item, you must make a reservation either online or by phone before bringing it in. If no reservation is made, or due to problems with the facility's equipment, etc., garbage may not be brought in.**

Garbage that is NOT Accepted

Items That Cannot Be Processed: Gas cylinders, tires, rims, motorcycles, farm equipment, lawn mowers, vehicle batteries, pianos, chainsaws, poisonous chemicals, paint, fire extinguishers, fire safes, pesticides, button cell batteries, etc.
Construction Waste (left by construction companies): bathtubs, sinks, hot water heaters (boilers), solar water heaters/bath, etc.
Industrial Waste: Farming materials (fertilizer bags, sheeting, etc.) construction scraps, etc.
Medical Waste: Hypodermic needles, syringes, I.V. packs (tubes, needles), and any other materials that could be infectious.
Please dispose of the above items through relevant stores or industrial waste disposal companies.