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How to Sort Your Trash and Garbage

Garbage Reduction and Sorting

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~Mixed garbage makes mere waste, right sorting creates resources~

Much of the discarded garbage could be recycled if put out after being sorted properly. Therefore, it is necessary to sort garbage correctly, following the established rules. When in doubt about how to sort, please consult "The Garbage Sorting Guidebook."

Reduce Garbage through the 3R Principles!

3R stands for **Reduce**, **Reuse**, and **Recycle**, and is the keyword for Garbage Reduction. If each citizen practices 3R, it will contribute to garbage reduction, saving limited resources/energy and decreasing the burden on the environment such as global warming, and finally leading to the realization of a recycling society.

Reduce まずはごみを出さないことから



Refuse to accept over-wrapping.



Use your own bag.



Buy just enough food to eat.



Don't leave half-eaten food.



Carry your own chopsticks with you.

- Since March 1, 2014, all major supermarkets in the city have ceased to offer free plastic grocery bags.

Reuse 使えるものは再度使う



Make use of flea markets.



Repair broken items and use them again.



Use refillable containers.



Use returnables, such as beer- or sake-bottles, and take them back to shops.

- The City government provides an "Unused Goods Bulletin Board." (See page 21.)

Recycle 再び資源として利用する



Sort strictly according to regulations.



Join group collection of recyclable waste.



Make use of stores' collection boxes.



Buy recyclable or eco-goods.



Compost kitchen garbage.

- The City government provides a subsidy for the purchase of a processor to make kitchen garbage into compost. (See page 20.)

- The City government provides a subsidy for group collection of recyclable waste. (See page 20.)

Put Out Garbage in Careful Compliance with the Rules !

● Sort garbage carefully according to the rules.

Correct sorting according to the rules will lead to garbage reduction and effective reuse of recyclable waste. Please follow the sorting stipulations in “The Garbage Sorting Guidebook.” **Please note that items put out against the rules will be left uncollected.**



● Put out garbage on designated days of the week

Please refer to “The Garbage Collection Calendar,” distributed separately to each household. The calendar is also available at the Garbage Reduction Section on the second floor of the City Hall, at city branch offices, at your nearby community center or on the Garbage Reduction Section of the Niihama City website.



● Put out garbage by 7:30 a.m. on collection days

To avoid attracting crows/stray cats, please make sure to put it out in the morning of the pick-up day by 7:30 a. m. In addition, depending on the weather, traffic conditions, the amount of garbage that is being put out, etc., the collection time may be significantly delayed in some areas, but **please make sure to put it out in the morning by 7:30 a.m.**



● Put out garbage at designated garbage stations

Please check the location of your nearest station with your local neighborhood association (*jichikai*) and follow the instructions.



◆ Garbage left uncollected at the station

Garbage put out not in accordance with the rules will be left uncollected with a warning seal stuck on it (See example to the right). Please take home your uncollected garbage and put it out again correctly.



**きちんと分別
きちんと排出**

収集できません

- : 決められた日に出しましょう。
- : 分別ができていません。
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- : 大型ごみとなるため。
- : 古紙類は出し方を守ってください。
- : 一時多量ごみ (剪定くず・引越ごみ等)
- : 透明・半透明の袋で出しましょう。
- : ごみステーションには、出せないごみです。
- : 袋のままでは収集できません。
(バラでコンテナ又はネットへ入れてください)
- : その他
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10-Category Sorting System in Niihama!

●The following has changed as of April 1, 2020.

◇Spray cans and butane gas cartridges without a hole are collected.

◇Butane gas cartridges are in the Category “Cans” now. Previously, they were “Non-burnable.”

●Please sort out trash and garbage correctly, or it will be left at the garbage station and will cause trouble for the community which manages the garbage station.

Table of 10 Sorting Categories

Sorting Category	Item Examples	How to Put Out	Collection Frequency	
Burnable	kitchen garbage, leather articles, rubber, plastic, wood, non-recyclable cloth and trash	in transparent or semi-transparent plastic bags of 45 liters or less	twice a week	See page 6
Non-burnable	small-sized electrical appliances, metal, ceramics, glass *up to 30cm	in transparent or semi-transparent plastic bags of 45 liters or less	once a month	See page 7
Cloth	clothing except for winter clothes, old cloth items (towels, sheets, handkerchiefs)	in transparent or semi-transparent plastic bags of 45 liters or less	once a month	See page 8
Recyclable Plastic Containers & Packaging	plastic containers & packaging marked with 	in transparent or semi-transparent plastic bags of 45 liters or less	once a week	See page 9
Bottles & Cans	food and drink bottles (transparent, brown, and other colors)	Separate by container according to color.	twice a month	See page 10
	food and drink cans, confectionary cans, spray-cans (cosmetics, insecticide) butane gas cartridges *No hole is OK.	 Put directly into the net.		
PET bottles	soft drink and alcohol bottles, bottles for seasonings such as soy-sauce and vinegar, marked with 	 Put directly into the net.	twice a month	See page 11
Old Paper	newspaper (including flyers), magazines, miscellaneous paper, cardboard, paper-cartons for drinks (milk, etc.)	 Bundle papers by kind.	twice a month	See page 12
Dangerous Items	dry cell batteries, mercury thermometers, fluorescent lights	Put in container by kind.	four times a year	See page 13
Large Trash	30-180cm items, e.g., furniture, electrical appliances, bedding, bicycles	Up to 10 items per pick-up. Put outside.	Home pickup reservation required	See page 14

For Recycle Use

10-Category Sorting System in Niihama!

Garbage Sorting Point

Please prepare several boxes according to the Sorting System.

At home, you will need several boxes to sort according to the rules.
For old paper, a rack or a paper bag is good.



Garbage



Plastic



Cloth



Bottles



Cans



Old Paper

Sort

分別!



Recyclable

Burnable

Non-burnable

Please sort recyclables correctly.

“Burnable garbage” is not all things that can be burned. Only non-recyclable items are “Burnable.”
“Other paper” should go to “Old Paper,” not into “Burnable.”

“Burnable”

- shells●cassettes
- video tapes●CDs
- DVDs●rubber gloves
- cooling items
- desiccant●disposal heaters
- false teeth
- plastic articles (other than recyclable plastic containers & packaging, e.g., buckets, plastic washing bowls, etc.)

“Other paper” to be recycled. Not “Burnable.”



Handouts from school and free new papers, candy boxes, paper bags, cardboard toilet paper rolls, empty boxes.

Recyclable Plastic Containers & Packaging: must be washed before recycling

Dirty items cannot be recycled. You must empty and rinse them.

Tubes of mayonnaise, ketchup, or toothpaste can be cleaned easily if you cut them in half.



Recycling our garbage requires effort! We need help to save the environment.

* Please do not put recyclable trash into “Burnable” just because it is not clean. Please make the effort!

Look for the Identifying Mark when Sorting

The Promotion of Effective Use of Resources law obliges the manufacturers of a certain number of items to clearly indicate a specified mark on each item. The mark will be a definite guide for sorting.

Legally Specified Marks



Recyclable plastic containers & packaging



PET bottles



Cans



Paper containers & packaging



Burnable garbage

Cup Containers



Paper lids (aluminum-coated on the back)



Small bags for soup, etc.





Plastic wrapping



Containers (plastic)

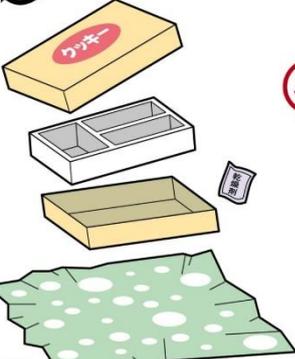
Sweets Boxes



Outer box (paper)



Desiccant





Inner tray (plastic)



Wrapping paper

Triple-pack Pudding Cartons



Lid (plastic)



Cup (plastic)





Plastic wrapping



Base (paper)

Tissues



Used tissues



Plastic insert





Plastic wrapping



Box

Cigarettes



Cigarette butts



Outer box





Aluminum paper



Plastic wrapping

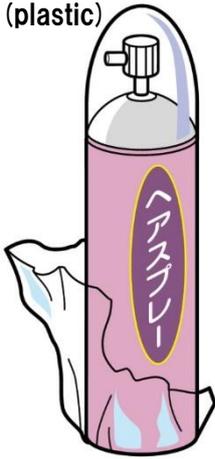
Spray Cans



Cap (plastic)



Body





Plastic wrapping

Burnable Garbage

collected
twice
a week

Put into a transparent or semi-transparent plastic bag. Carry it to the assigned burnable station on collection day by 7:30 in the morning.



Items

Kitchen garbage



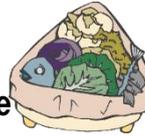
Must be well-drained.

Oil must be soaked into paper or be solidified.

- food scraps ● shells
- cooking oil ● disposable wooden chopsticks
- toothpicks

Note!

80% of garbage is water weight. Please drain garbage in plastic mesh and squeeze it out before discarding.



Leather articles



- shoes (except ski boots and other special shoes)
- bags (except large ones such as suitcases)
- wallets
- belts

You can put out leather articles with metal buckles or fittings as burnable.

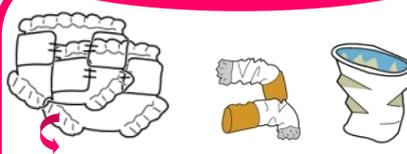
Note!

Non-recyclable fabric items



- clothes (sweaters, coats, hats, gloves, socks, scarves, etc.)
- kimonos, obis
- curtains
- pillows (less than 30cm)
- stuffed toys (less than 30cm)

Non-recyclable wastepaper



- disposable diapers (remove excrement)
- cigarette butts
- paper soiled with oil or food
- cores from plastic wrap, etc.
- photos and coated paper

Weeds, leaves, and small branches



Up to 2 big garbage bags

- weeds (remove soil)
- fallen leaves
- small branches (less than 30cm long by 1cm in diameter)

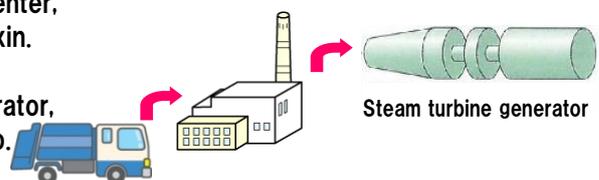
Other



- cassettes, video tapes ● CDs, DVDs (including cases)
- matches, fireworks (soak in water before discarding)
- baseball gloves ● plastic hoses (cut to 1m or less)
- rubber gloves and boots ● ballpoint pens ● sponges ● buckets ● plastic wash bowls ● plastic containers
- plastic products (other than recyclable plastic containers and packages)
- wood products (less than 10cm x 10cm x 10cm)

Where does collected burnable garbage go?

Collected burnable garbage is incinerated at the Seisō Center, at a high temperature (~850°C) so as not to generate dioxin. The Seisō Center uses residual heat from garbage incineration to generate electricity by steam turbine generator, and also sells surplus power to Shikoku Electric Power Co.



The City government provides subsidies for the purchase of composters to make kitchen garbage into compost. Please recycle used food oil by making use of recycling boxes at the City Office and other places.

Burnable garbage (less than 30cm) (twice/week)

Non-Burnable Garbage

collected Put into a transparent or semi-transparent plastic bag.
 once Carry it to the assigned non-burnable station
 a month on collection day by 7:30 in the morning.

Items

Items listed here are examples.
 For details, please refer to the classification dictionary
 on page 23 and after.
 (Metal of thickness >2 mm is not accepted.)



Small-sized electrical appliances



less than 30 cm

- dryers ● electric shavers ● mixers
- electric pots ● toasters
- irons ● telephones
- calculators ● clocks

Metal



wrap with paper

less than 30 cm
including handles

cut to 1 m or less
and bend or roll up

- cooking pots ● kitchen or other knives
- frying pans ● spoons & forks
- kettles ● scissors ● needles ● wire
- metal toys

Note!

Toys made of plastic are burnable but battery-operated toys are non-burnable.

Ceramics



Broken ceramics must be wrapped with paper to avoid harm.

- rice bowls, dishes
- vases ● plant pots

Glass



Broken glass must be wrapped with paper to avoid harm.

- glass tableware ● light bulbs
- broken sheet glass

Other



Cut to about 1 m

Must be empty

Wrap with paper to avoid harm

- electric cords ● floppy disks ● mirrors
- razors ● lighters ● bottle lids
- non-food and -drink bottles (cosmetic bottles, etc.)

New!

The category for gas cylinder cassettes has changed to "Can".



Please empty the cassettes of gas and put out as a can.

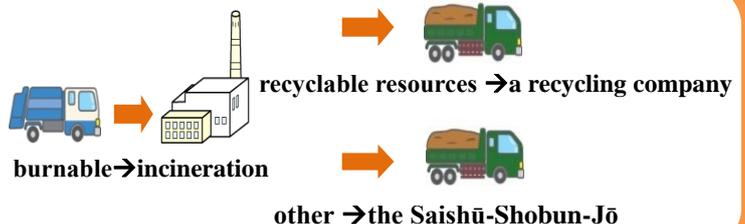
Cellular PHS phones (and their batteries and chargers) contain rare metals such as gold, silver, cobalt, palladium, etc. Cellular-phone makers collect and recycle them. Each maker collects them from stores with the logo mark shown on the right. Please take them to those stores. Do not put them out for city collection. (See p.18)



Take them to those stores with this mark

What happens to the collected non-burnable garbage?

Collected non-burnable garbage is sorted at the Seisō Center and anything burnable is incinerated. Recyclable resources such as iron, aluminum and copper are sent to recycling companies. Non-recyclables such as crushed ceramics are buried at the Saishū-Shobun-Jō.



Umbrellas which are longer than 30 cm are collected as "large trash."
 Pots and frying pans which are longer than 30 cm are considered "large trash" and are sent to the Saishū-Shobun-Jō.

Cloth and Clothing

collected
once
a month

Put into a transparent or semi-transparent plastic bag.
Put out at the assigned non-burnable station on collection day by 7:30 in the morning.



Items

If the collection day is rainy, make sure the fabric does not get wet. If possible, please put it out on the next collection day.

Clothing



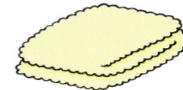
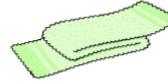
- polo shirts
- T-shirts
- shirts
- trousers
- skirts

Items that are used on the neck, hands, and toes such as hats, gloves, and socks are not accepted.

Note!

Buttons and zippers need not be removed.

Old cloth



- handkerchiefs
- towels
- towel blankets
- sheets
- kotatsu covers
- futon covers
- bedspreads unless made of cotton

Things you can't put out



- Damaged or torn clothing
- Clothing soiled with mud, oil, oil paint, etc.
- Winter clothes (jackets, coats, sweaters, mufflers, etc.)
- Kimono, rolls of fabric, obi, mourning clothes, etc.
- School and workplace uniforms, work clothes
- Rags, slippers, rain suits, zabuton
- Cloth scraps, curtains, stuffed animals, leather goods such as bags

Basically, washed items

No need for dry cleaning, but limited to those ready to be stored in a chest of drawers.

Note !

If you can't put it out as cloth, put it out as "burnable garbage." Futons, blankets, etc. are "large trash."

What happens to the collected clothing?

Collected clothing can be sold as used clothing domestically or for export overseas or recycled as waste cloth. (industrial rags)



waste cloth : industrial rags

Use the "Available items message board" for school uniforms that are still usable.
A clothing collection box is also available on the first floor of the City Office.

Recyclable Plastic Containers & Packaging

collected once a week

Put them into transparent or semi-transparent bags and put them out at the local 'burnable' station by 7:30 on collection day.



Items



Plastic containers and packaging printed with this mark are in this category. For more information, please refer to the sorting dictionary after p. 23.

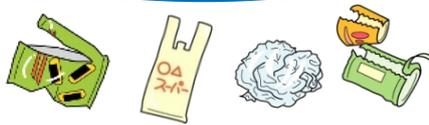
Cups • packs



Put out after rinsing inside with water.

- Cup noodle containers
- egg cartons
- sōzai containers
- vacuum packs
- tofu or natto containers
- medicine tablet containers
- pudding or yogurt containers

Bags • wrapping • labels



- sweets or bread bags
- plastic wrapping bags
- plastic grocery bags
- plastic bags used for meat/fish
- labels from PET bottles, etc.

Note!

You may put them out without removing price seals on bags or wrapping.

Tubes



Slightly rinse inside after the contents have been used up.

- mayonnaise tubes
- horseradish/mustard tubes
- toothpaste tubes
- face washing paste tubes

Trays



Make use of store collection boxes as much as possible, especially for white trays.

Put out after slightly rinsing.

- bento or sōzai trays
- trays used for meat/fish

Lids • caps



- lids of PET bottles
- lids of bento boxes
- lids of pudding containers

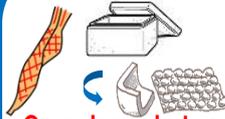
Bottles



Put out after slightly rinsing.

- Detergent/bleach containers
- shampoo/rinse containers
- oil/dressing containers

Other



Crush large items into small pieces.

Granular substances go into 'Burnable garbage' category.

- vegetable/fruit nets
- Styrofoam boxes
- seedling pots
- packing material (bubble wrap)



Objects included in this category are limited to the plastic containers and packaging manufactured exclusively for containing goods. Plastic containers and wrappings material (buckets, basins, Tupperware, CDs, wrapping material) are excluded: they go into 'Burnable.'

Where do "Recyclable Plastic Containers & Packaging" go after collection?



The collected items are sorted out by manual work at the Seisō Center and after removing foreign substances, they are compressed and packed.



Packed plastics are then transported to recycling firms, where, after being sorted again, they are crushed and sent for recycling in the following ways:

- material recycling
- reduction catalyst for blast furnaces
- chemical material for coke furnaces
- solid fuel, etc.
- processed into oil
- gasified

"Material recycling" on the left means reproduction into the following materials:

- pallets
- regenerated resin
- artificial wood
- plastic plates
- construction materials

Please remove the contents and slightly rinse inside. Stains make it difficult to achieve good-quality material through subsequent recycling processes.

Bottles and Cans

collected
twice
a month

Take to the non-burnable garbage station
by 7:30 a.m. on the designated day. Put
bottles in the container and cans in the net.



Items

Remove lids. Dispose of metal lids as non-burnable. Put out plastic lids with recyclable plastic containers and packaging. You do not have to put a hole in spray cans and cassette-type gas cylinders, but they must be empty.

Food Related



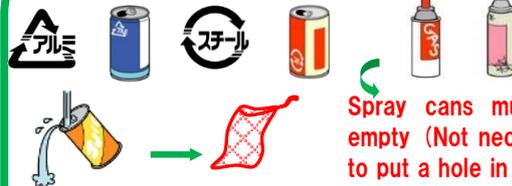
Separate bottles into three groups by color and put them directly into the container according to the color. If you cannot decide, put it into **その他** (other colors).

- colorless transparent bottles
- brown bottles ● bottles of other colors

NOTE!

Large (e.g., 1.8 liter) bottles, or cans >30 cm for sweets are also collected.

Cans



Rinse cans with water.

Put them directly into the net

Spray cans must be empty (Not necessary to put a hole in them)

- Aluminum beverage cans
- Steel beverage cans
- Spray cans for cosmetics, insecticide, etc.
- Cookie, candy, sembei, or dried seaweed cans
- Cassette-type gas cylinders



Neck ring is non-burnable garbage.



Leave the plastic cap if difficult to remove.



Be sure not to put anything except bottles into the bottle container. For example, ceramics and porcelain, e.g., rice bowls and dishes, or drinking glasses. Please put them out as non-burnable garbage.



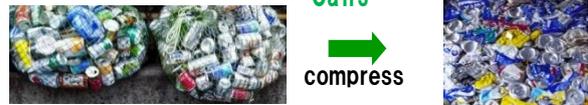
What happens to bottles and cans after they are collected?

Bottles



Bottles are separated by color and collected at the Seisō Center.

Cans



Collected cans are separated as either aluminum or steel, cleaned, and compressed at the Seisō Center.



Bottles are sent to recycling companies and made into material for producing bottles called "cullet" and are then sent to bottle manufacturing factories and made into bottles again. Ninety percent of bottle material is cullet. Some of the remaining cullet is recycled as insulation or for paving roads as well.



- Compressed aluminum cans are sent to recycling factories and made into aluminum cans again.
- Compressed steel cans are sent to iron foundries and used as materials for new steel cans, cars, electric appliances, railroads, buildings, and bridges.

At the entrance to supermarkets, there are collecting boxes for recyclables. Please use them as much as possible.

Plastic Beverage Bottles – PET bottles

collected twice a month

Take to the non-burnable station and put directly in the net by 7:30 a.m. on the designated day.



Examples of PET bottles



Be sure to remove caps and labels. They are treated as recyclable non-PET plastic.



Remove the caps and labels.



Crush the bottle.



- for beverages (tea, juice, mineral water, carbonated drinks, coffee, etc.)
- for alcohol (sake, mirin)
- for soy sauce, etc.

Put bottles directly into the collection net of the garbage station

What happens to collected PET bottles?



Collected PET bottles are crushed and packed into bales at the Seisō Center.

Separating is important for recycling.

If you follow the rules and there are no foreign objects in the PET bottles, it can save a lot of energy and labor at every stage of the process.

Flakes are ground up PET bottles. Pellets are what you get after flakes are melted and turned into small balls.



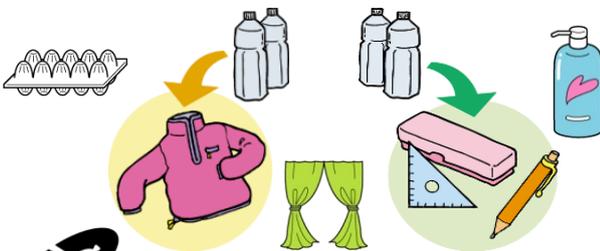
flake

The bales are sent to recycling companies where they are ground up and turned into flakes and pellets for recycling.

Material recycling

The flakes and pellets are used to make many kinds of things such as clothing, stationery, egg cartons, bottles for detergent, PET straps, etc.

Many things are made from PET bottles



PET bottle Recycling Mark

※Fiber from PET bottles is used to make the working uniforms of city officials.

From PET bottles to PET

After breaking down flakes chemically and producing PET base material and refining it into PET resin, you can make PET bottles again. The quality of this PET resin is as high as that of the PET resin produced from petroleum so that they can make bottles of the same quality.



Note!

It takes only five 500ml PET bottles to make a shirt.
PET bottles can be efficiently recycled.

At supermarkets, there are collection boxes to collect recyclable PET bottles. Please use them as much as possible.

Old Paper

collected twice a month Tie papers of the same kind together and take them to the non-burnable garbage station by 7:30 a.m. on the designated day.



Old Paper (twice a month)

Items

Newspaper

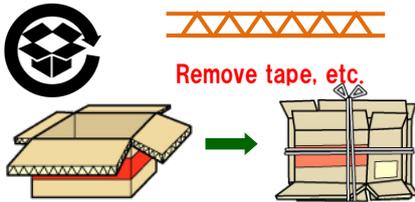


Fold to half size and tie in bundles so that you can carry them easily.

- newspapers and flyers

Cardboard

Cross section of cardboard



Remove tape, etc.

Cut the boxes open and tie them in bundles.

- boxes for oranges and vegetables
- electrical appliance boxes

Other paper and magazines

Remove metal fasteners, adhesive tape, cellophane. Cellophane "envelope windows" and plastic used in tissue box openings should be removed, too.



Cut paper boxes open and flatten.

Put small pieces of paper between magazines and tie them together or put them in a bag and tie them together with something like magazines.

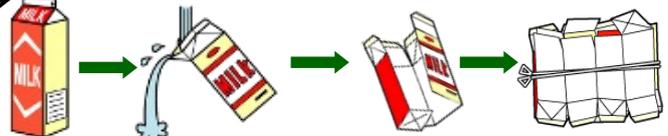
- weekly magazines ● monthly magazines ● paperbacks ● catalogues
- wrapping paper ● paper bags ● thin paper boxes for candy or food
- postcards ● envelopes ● paper notebooks ● tissue boxes ● calendars

Cartons



Wash, cut, open as shown, and dry.

Bundle and tie them.



- milk cartons ● juice cartons
- sake and shochu cartons.

Put out the following as burnable garbage: cartons whose inside is silver or of less than 500cc.



Don't put out the following as old paper!

These types of paper can't be recycled. Put them out as burnable.



○photographs ○Japanese writing paper used for calligraphy ○peel-open postcards ○thermal papers (receipts) ○stickers ○adhesive tape ○oiled paper ○wallpaper ○carbon paper (delivery receipts) ○paper with fragrance (paper boxes of soap, detergent, incense sticks ○waterproof paper (paper cups, paper dishes, paper containers for cup noodles, paper containers for yogurt) ○parchment paper (cooking sheets) ○paper with food waste (containers directly used for pizza and other food) ○colored cushioning materials for fruits) ○foil stamped paper (gold and silver origami) ○Braille printed matter

What happens to collected paper?

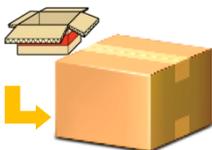
Collected paper is sold to paper dealers and then sold to paper companies. It will become pulp and be recycled.



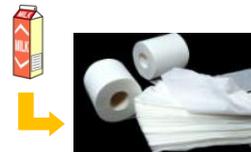
Collected newspapers turn into newspapers, OA paper, note paper, candy boxes, etc.



Magazines and "Other" paper are made into boxes for candies, toys, etc., and cardboard boxes.



Cardboard becomes cardboard and toilet paper core rolls.



Cartons are changed into toilet paper and tissues.

"Other" paper is an important resource which can be recycled, so sort it carefully according to the rules and put it out as old paper not burnable.

Hazardous Items

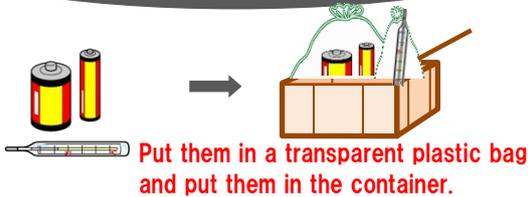
collected
four times
a year

Take them to the non-burnable garbage station and put them in the containers by 7:30 a.m. on the designated day.



Examples of hazardous items

Non-rechargeable dry cell batteries
Mercury thermometers



Put them in a transparent plastic bag and put them in the container.

Electronic thermometers and light bulbs are treated as non-burnable. Fluorescent light bulbs >30cm in length are also collected.

Fluorescent lights

Put them back in their original packaging and put them in the container.



Return rechargeable batteries and button type batteries to an electrical appliance shop as much as possible.

Rechargeable batteries

with the following marks



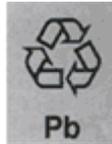
Ni-Cd
Nickel-cadmium



Ni-MH
Nickel-hydrogen



Li-ion
Lithium-ion batteries



Pb
Small sealed lead batteries

Rechargeable batteries contain rare metal resources such as nickel, cadmium, cobalt, and lead, which can be recycled.



Put the rechargeable batteries in the recycling boxes in an appliance shop or supermarket.

*To avoid short-circuits, put Scotch tape on both the positive and negative poles.

Button-type batteries



- Alkali button batteries
- Silver oxide batteries
- Zinc-air batteries

Button-type batteries contain precious resources like silver so they can be recycled.



Put them in the recycling boxes at appliances shops, watch and camera shops, etc.

*To avoid short-circuits, put Scotch tape on both the positive and negative poles.

What happens to collected hazardous items?

Hazardous items are kept at the Seisō Center for a certain period and then sent to special companies for recycling.

- Dry cells--- ferrous material is separated from non-ferrous material. Iron is recycled and non-ferrous materials such as zinc and copper are collected as resources. The other parts are used to make cement.
- Thermometers---After being crushed, materials such as mercury and glass are sorted out and recycled.
- Fluorescent lights---After being crushed, materials such as mercury, fluorescent powder, iron, and glass are sorted out and recycled.

Broken fluorescent light bulbs or broken mercury thermometers are not collected as dangerous garbage. Wrap them with paper, etc., so that they will not hurt anyone, and put them out as non-burnable garbage.

Large Trash

picked up
at your
home

Call the Large Trash pick-up
number at City Hall (31-5300)
in Japanese. Please dial carefully.



Examples of large trash

They will pick up everyday items 30cm to 180cm in length, that can be disposed of at city facilities, excluding construction debris, garbage from moving to a new home or from out the home of someone who has died.

Electrical appliances and gas products



- Heaters ● Electric fans ● Vacuum cleaners
- Microwave ovens ● Hot plates ● Gas burners
- Air filters ● DVD players ● Word processors
- Stereo components

TV sets, air-conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, clothing dryers and computers are not collected. Refer to pages 16 and 17 for how to dispose of these items.

Furniture



- Chests ● Sofas ● Cupboards ● Bookshelves
- Tables ● Chairs ● TV stands ● Beds
- Kotatsu ● Shelving

Bedding



- Blankets ● Pillows ● Mats ● Carpets
- Cushions ● Towel blankets

<30cm.=burnable

Other



- Bicycles, tricycles, unicycles ● Skis and poles
- Umbrellas ● Swings, slides ● Clothes drying stands
- Clothes drying poles ● Bamboo blinds
- Clothes cases ● Large paint cans

Cut to less than
180cm

How to apply for pick-up: Call between 8:30a.m.~4:00p.m. Monday to Friday (except national holidays)

1) Call 31-5300



They will ask how many items, what they are, their size and where to pick them up. You will be informed of the pick-up date.

Up to 10 items can be picked up at one time. (Large-sized furniture, etc., may limit the amount.)

2) A postcard confirming the pickup date will be sent.

Check the collection day and items written on the postcard. If something is incorrect, please call 31-5300 at least 3 days before the pickup date (Monday to Friday except national holidays)

4) Your large trash will be collected between 9:00a.m.~4:00p.m. on the agreed-upon date.



You do not need to be home.

3) Put the items out in the agreed-upon place on the pickup date by 9:00a.m.

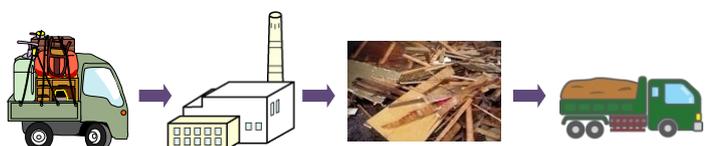
Bicycles must have a paper saying "大型ごみ." (Ōgata Gomi = large trash)



*You must wait at least 1 month before you can request another pick-up.

What happens to large trash after collection?

The collected large trash is crushed and sorted at the Seisō Center. Burnable items are burned there. Resources such as iron, aluminum, and copper will be sent to a recycling company and recycled.



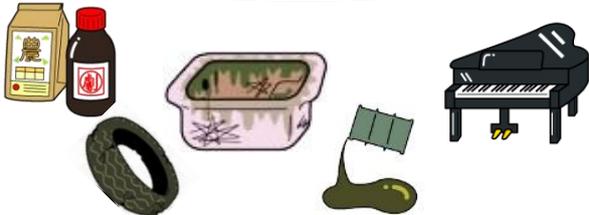
Please keep things that you can repair and use them for as long as possible. Give usable items to others, or take them to a recycle shop. An "Items for Exchange" board is available at the City Office. See page 21.)

Trash Not Collected by the City



Trash Neither Collected by the City nor Accepted by City Facilities (even if you take it yourself)

Items Not Accepted



- Gas cylinders ● Car batteries ● Parts from cars and motorcycles ● Flammable items ● Dangerous objects ● Pesticides and other such chemicals ● Medical equipment ● Bathtubs ● Safes ● Agricultural machinery ● Agricultural plastic ● Tires ● Metal reinforcing bars ● Iron plate (over 2mm thick) ● Insulation ● Boilers ● Home incinerators ● Used oil ● Pianos ● Exercise equipment (certain parts can be disposed of if taken by yourself)

To dispose of items such as those listed above, contact a store that sells them or deals with them, or a private garbage dealer.

Recyclable Items

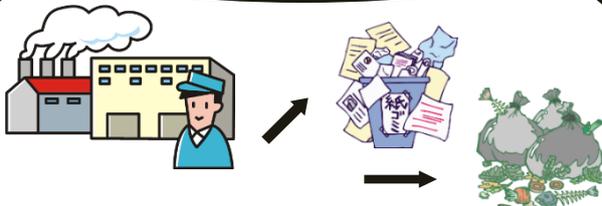


- Items listed under the Electrical Appliances Recycling Law (TV sets, air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, clothes dryers) ● Home fire extinguishers ● Cars ● Motorized 2-wheeled vehicles

For more on disposing of these, see pages 17 and 19.

Trash Not Collected by the City but Accepted by City Facilities

Commercial Trash



This Garbage Classification Guidebook was created based on the household trash classification standard.

For trash from business activities, contact a licensed garbage dealer. However, the following types of commercial or industrial waste may be taken to City Facilities for a fee:

- General commercial garbage such as food scraps, waste paper, etc. (up to 8 tons per month) and disposable diapers (excluding those from hospitals)
- Some categories of industrial waste (wood and waste paper (up to 8 tons per month))

Companies that will dispose of garbage at City Facilities four or more times a year must obtain written permission from the City Office's Garbage Reduction Section (*Gomi-Genryo-Ka*) (Companies may not dispose of types of waste other than those noted on the permission form, so please consider carefully when applying.)

For other industrial waste, contact a private commercial/industrial waste dealer.

Household Trash Accepted by City Facilities



- Sinks, counters, and washstands ● Home Computers ● Massage chairs (only one per year and must be unloaded by yourself) ● Pillars, wood ● Bamboo ● Tin roofing/wallboard ● Pruning waste ● Stumps ● Roots ● Concrete blocks and pieces ● Roof tiles ● Slate ● Garden rocks ● Soil/sand

These items will not be collected, but can be taken to City Facilities. (For more information, see page 16)

Industrial waste refers to 20 kinds of waste set by law, including cinders, soil, waste oil, waste plastic, etc.

The City Office does not make recommendations of private garbage dealers. See the Town Page, etc. (Private garbage dealers are also listed in Japanese on the homepage of the City Office's Garbage Reduction Section (*Gomi-Genryo-Ka*) <http://www.ehimesanpai.or.jp/>)

Processing at the Facilities



Large trash and large amounts of trash (e.g., from changing residences) cannot be collected at local trash stations. Contact a private collector licensed by the City (there will be a charge) or take the trash to the City Facilities listed below by yourself. (Free)

There are some kinds of trash, however, that are not accepted by City Facilities. (See p.15)

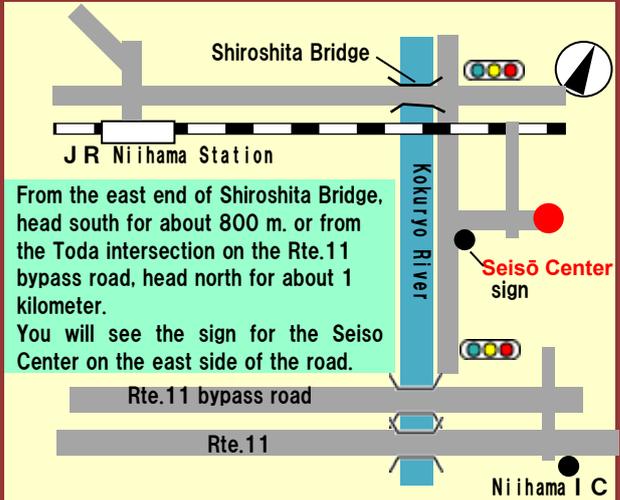
Seisō Center

【Location】 Niihama, Kannonbara-cho, Otsu 122-1

【Telephone number】 41-4225

【Business hours】 8:30 - 16:00 Monday through Friday, the second Sunday of each month except for December, and the last Sunday of December (may change)

The Center may be closed on National Holidays. After the 29th of each month, except for December, City Facilities will only accept burnable garbage. Please check for non-business days of the facility by looking at the Garbage and Trash Collection Calendar. ※ Please refrain from taking household trash to the facilities at the end of year and Golden Week as it is the busiest time of year.



From the east end of Shiroshita Bridge, head south for about 800 m. or from the Toda intersection on the Rte.11 bypass road, head north for about 1 kilometer.

You will see the sign for the Seiso Center on the east side of the road.

Items Accepted by the Seisō Center (Please separate by type of trash)

Trash collected by the City

- Burnable garbage
- Non-burnable garbage
- Recyclable plastic containers and packaging
- Bottles and Cans
- Plastic beverage bottles (PET bottles)
- Old paper
- Toxic items

Trash not collected by the City but accepted by City Facilities

Large trash

- Doors and frames
- Poles and pipes (less than 150 cm)
- Tin roofing/wallboard
- Tatami mats
- Boards (<180cm x 90cm)
- Corrugated plastic sheets (<180cm x 90cm)
- Leaves and branches from pruning (<150cm long, 25cm in diameter)
- Bamboo (<100cm long)
- Home computers
- Stumps and tree roots (<25 cm in diameter)
- Exercise equipment, e.g., massage chairs, running machines, cycling machines, riding machines (A household can take up to 1 item per year and you must unload it by yourself. Some items are difficult to process.)
- Scrap from demolished houses (except scrap from business activities)

※ If you plan to take scrap from your own demolished house (posts, boards, roof tiles, concrete scrap, etc.) that will weigh over 1 ton, you must report it in advance to the Seisō Center. The Building Recycle Law requires you to contact the Building Guidance Section (*Kenchiku-Shido-Ka*: 65-1273) before you demolish a house that is more than 80 square meters.

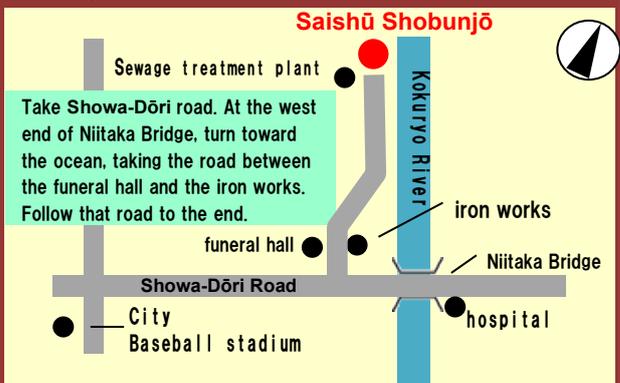
Saishū Shobunjō

【Location】 Niihama, Kikumoto-cho 2-817-2

【Telephone】 37-5300

【Business hours】 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and the second Sunday of each month

The center may be closed on National Holidays. Please check for non-business days of the facility by looking at the Garbage and Trash Collection Calendar.



Take Showa-Dōri road. At the west end of Niitaka Bridge, turn toward the ocean, taking the road between the funeral hall and the iron works. Follow that road to the end.

Items Accepted by Saishū Shobunjō (household trash only)

- Concrete blocks (less than 30 cm)
- Pieces of concrete (less than 30 cm)
- Rubble (<30 cm)
- Roof tiles
- Garden rocks (less than 30 cm)
- Soil (plant material removed)
- Bricks
- Slate

※ A household can take up to 1 ton of these items annually.

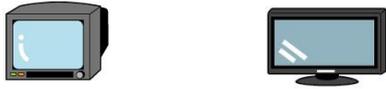
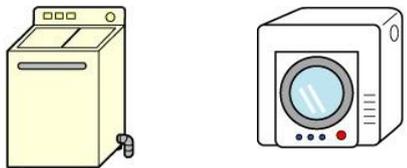
Disposal methods for TV sets, air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, and clothes dryers

The City does not collect these electrical appliances because the manufacturers are responsible for recycling them under the Electrical Appliances Recycling Law. Please ask the electrical appliance shop where you bought them or take them yourself directly to the company designated by the manufacturer.

The user must pay the cost for recycling and transporting. (Or the recycling cost only, if you take them yourself to the manufacturer's designated companies.)

Recycling cost (including tax) (updated April 2020)

(The cost may vary depending on the maker. Please check the "Electrical Appliances Recycling Sticker Center" website.)

<p>TV sets</p>  <p>under 15" type ¥1,320~3,100 over 16" type ¥2,420~3,700</p>	<p>Air conditioners (including the unit outside the house) *Units installed into the ceiling are not included under this rule.</p>  <p>¥990~2,000</p>
<p>Refrigerators and freezers</p>  <p>170 liters or less ¥3,740~5,200 171 liters or more ¥4,730~5,600</p>	<p>Washing machines and clothes dryers</p>  <p>¥2,530~3,300</p>

Disposal Method



*Please ask the shop or a general waste disposer about the transporting cost beforehand as it varies by shop or general waste disposer.

*When you buy a recycling sticker, it is necessary to list the manufacturer, the kind, and the size of the appliance. You will be charged a ¥130 transferring cost when you buy the recycling sticker at the post office.

Disposal Companies (if you take it there yourself)

<p>Shikoku-Konpo-Unso Address: Niihama, Kuroshima 1-1-15 Tel: 45-2000 Time: 9:00-17:00 (except 12:00-13:00) Closed: Sundays, national holidays, New Year's Day, Bon Holiday</p>	<p>Shikoku Seino Unyu Niihama Branch Address: Saijō-shi Iioka Suginoki 1370 Tel: 56-7088 Time: 9:00-17:00 (except 12:00-13:00) Closed: Sundays, national holidays, New Year's Day, Bon Holiday</p>
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*Buy a recycling sticker at the post office in advance of taking the appliance to the designated places noted above. Appliances of any manufacturer are accepted. There are times when items are not accepted. Confirm times in advance by telephone.

Disposing of Personal Home Computers

Previously, disposal of personal computers for home use was carried out by manufacturers based on “The Law for Promoting Effective Utilization of Resources.” However, since “The Small Electrical Appliance Recycling Law” came into force in October 2016, the municipal office accepts computers only if carried in, and handed over to a licensed general waste disposer (Take the computer to the Seisō Center after wiping it of all data including private information). Computer manufacturers also carry out recovery and recycling as before. Attachments (mouse, keyboard, etc.) are accepted with the PC, but peripherals (printers, scanners, monitors, etc.) are not accepted by the maker. Please use the Large Trash pick-up service if an item is more than 30 cm. If it is less than 30 cm, please dispose of it as “Non-burnable.”



Personal computers with PC recycle mark → No charge for disposal (Fee Included in purchase price after 10/2003)

Personal computers without PC recycle mark → Recycle charge for disposal

<p>Desktop</p>  <p>¥3,300</p>	<p>Laptop</p>  <p>¥3,300</p>	<p>All-in-one</p>  <p>¥3,300 (LCD) ¥4,400 (CRT)</p>	<p>Liquid Crystal Display</p>  <p>¥3,300</p>	<p>CRT (cathode-ray tube display)</p>  <p>¥4,400</p>
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Applying for Collection and Disposal of a Computer

Apply to recycle your home computer to the maker's recycling office.



Pay fee at post office after receiving invoice slip from maker.



If computer has the PC Recycle Mark



Ask the post office noted on the sticker to collect your PC by door-to-door pick-up or take it to your nearest post office package window.
*There is no charge for shipping.



You will receive an Eco-Yū-Pack slip, so pack your computer and attach the slip to the package.



In the case of computers you have built yourself, or if you can't find the maker, contact “The Personal Computer 3P Promotion Center.”

Personal Computer 3P Promotion Center
Tel: 03-5282-7685 Open 9:00-12:00, 13:00-17:00 (except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.) For further information, visit the web site: <http://pc3r.jp>

Disposal of Cellular Phones



モバイル・リサイクル・ネットワーク
携帯電話・PHSのリサイクルにご協力を。

Shops with this mark accept cellular phones, PHSs and smart phones, batteries, and chargers free of charge regardless of brand, under the “Mobile-Recycle-Network” recycling system of telecommunication's providers and manufacturers. Shops can delete data from old cellular phones. If you have an old cell phone, take it to a shop for recycling. Please help to recycle.

Disposal Methods for Home Fire Extinguishers

Home fire extinguishers which have not been used are recycled by the maker “Nihon Shōkai Kōgyōkai” with the local sales agents. You can dispose of your home fire extinguishers as follows. For details, please ask the following:

Company	Address	Phone	Open Hours
Izumi Support Co., Ltd. Ehime Branch	5-2 S ō biraki-chō, Niihama	0897-32-5303	8:00-16:45 closed on weekends and holidays
Yano Shōkai Company	10-17 Eguchi-chō, Niihama	0897-32-4696	8:00-17:00 closed on weekends and holidays
Shikoku Tsuken Co., Ltd. Niihama Branch	2-3-2 Kubota-chō, Niihama	0897-37-2757	8:00-17:00 closed on weekends and holidays
Suzuki Bōsai Company	4988-1 Funaki, Niihama	0897-40-3339	8:00-17:00 closed on weekends and holidays

You need to pay the fee for the “Recycling Seal” that shows you have already paid. However, since 2010 it has been included in the purchase price. **You also have to pay for transportation costs.**

※Fire extinguishers are special high-pressure containers that cannot be handled at City facilities.



Methods for Disposing of a Motorcycle

※The Motorcycle Recycling System was started as a voluntary activity promoted principally by the nation’s motorcycle manufacturers. As they are recycled free of charge, they are limited to motorcycles sold in Japan. Participants are as follows: *Honda Motor Co., Ltd. *Yamaha Motor Co., Ltd. *Suzuki Motor Corp. *Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Ltd. *EKA Company Ltd. *Bright Corp. *Ducati Japan *BMW Japan *SPK Corporation *KYMCO JAPAN, Inc.

Taking it to a ‘Motorcycle Recycling Dealer’

Visit a dealer’s shop displaying the sticker shown on the right. Fill in the registration form provided there. Then take the motorcycle to the dealer.

Notice: An additional transport fee (from the shop to the City-designated Dealer) will be charged.



Dealing Directly with the City-designated Dealer

Shikoku Kampo Unso, Ltd. Niihama-shi, Kuroshima 1-1-15 Tel: 0897-45-2000

Visit the City-designated Dealer and fill in the registration form provided there. Then take the motorcycle to the Dealer. ***No additional transport fee will be charged.**

You must show proof of ownership.

For further details on motorcycle disposal, please contact:

The Motorcycle Recycling Call Center: **Tel: 050-3000-0727 (Japanese only)**

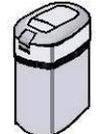
Hours: 9:30-17:00 (except Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, year-end, and new year holidays)



Kitchen Garbage Composter Subsidy

About 40% of all household waste is kitchen garbage, and about 80% of kitchen garbage is water. It requires a large amount of energy to burn kitchen garbage. The City subsidizes the purchase of kitchen garbage composters in order to reduce the amount of kitchen garbage and to produce fertilizer from it. When applying for a composter subsidy, you will need to have a personal seal (*inkan*) that uses red ink. You also have to show proof of identity, by driver's license, passport, My Number card, etc.

※Application is necessary before purchase. The annual subsidy is limited.

Items	Amount of subsidy	Limitations	Application location
 Electric composters	½ of the price, up to ¥20,000	1 unit per household per 5 years	City-designated stores ※Garbage Reduction Section (<i>Gomi-genryō-ka</i>) 2 nd Floor, City Hall, or City-designated stores
 "Compost" composters	½ of the price, up to ¥3,000	2 per household per fiscal year	
 Sealed containers	½ of the price, up to ¥3,000		

※Composter application location varies according to the kind of composter.

Subsidy for the Promotion of Group Collection of Recyclable Household Trash

The City subsidizes non-governmental organizations by the amount collected to encourage reduction and recycling of trash.

What is required?

Your organization must register with City Hall every year by the end of May.

1. The group must be a non-profit organization, whose members must be Niihama residents. The number of members must be at least 20.

2. Activity Requirements

- ① More than 4 times a year
- ② Trash should be from non-business activity.
- ③ Trash must not be collected from garbage stations.
- ④ Recyclable trash should be delivered to a dealer within Niihama.
- ⑤ Any expenses related to the collection should be paid by the group.



What to do after collection?

City Hall gives this subsidy 4 times per year, once per quarter.

Please submit the "Proof of purchase of recyclable trash" certificate issued by a recycling center dealer. The City assesses the amount of subsidy according to the certificate and gives the subsidy by the end of the next month of a fiscal quarter.

Amount of Subsidy

The amount of the subsidy varies depending on the market price.

For further details, please ask at the Garbage Reduction Section (*Gomi-genryō-ka*).

Reuse and Recycle

Clothing

Collection boxes are located on the first floor of the City Office, and at facilities related to the Niihama city government. Clothing is collected in the collection boxes and reused or recycled. If you have clothes you won't use any more, take them to the following places and put them in the boxes.

The following can be collected

- ① Clothing (clean and in condition to be put away in a chest of drawers, for example.)
- ② Bed sheets, blankets, and towels

Location of the collection boxes

- ◆ the lobby on the 1st floor City Office Lobby ◆ Jōbu Branch of Niihama City Office
- ◆ Sōgō Fukushi Center ◆ Seisō Center ◆ Kōreisha Ikigai Sōzō Gakuen

The following are not collected

- ① Futon, zabuton (floor cushions), pillows, and curtains
- ② Stuffed animals
- ③ Hats, socks, gloves, scarves (clothing that covers the neck, hands, or feet)

Used Tempura Oil

The collection boxes for used deep-frying oil are placed at Niihama City-related facilities and private facilities. The used oil is collected to use as fuel for official vehicles, etc.

Note

- ① Put oil into a sealed container like a plastic bottle.
- ② Olive oil and lard cannot be collected.

Collection Site

- ◆ 1st floor City Office Lobby ◆ Kuchiya-ato Community Center ◆ Sumino Community Center
- ◆ Takatsu Community Center ◆ Nakahagi Community Center ◆ Niihama Community Center
- ◆ Wakamiya Community Center ◆ Kōzato Community Center ◆ Funaki Community Center
- ◆ Women's Plaza ◆ Kōreisha Ikigai SōzōGakuen ◆ other private facilities

Unused Goods Bulletin Board

There is a system through which you may have your unused goods registered and look for new prospective owners for them. You can also register items you need and find someone who has them to give.

Who can use this system

Those who live in Niihama and who have no intention of making profit.

Where you can check this information

The website of the Garbage Reduction Section
1st floor City Office Lobby, Jōbu Branch of Niihama City Office, Kawahigashi Branch of Niihama City Office,
Women's Plaza

Where to register

The website of the Garbage Reduction Section

(<http://www.city.niihama.lg.jp/fuyohin/>) Niihama Garbage Reduction Center

What you cannot register

- Cars, motorcycles
- Cash vouchers like gift certificates, travel coupons
- High-priced goods like precious metals, work of art, etc.
- Things on which a recycle fee is imposed by law (TVs, air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, etc.)

It would be great if someone could use your toy!



If you are looking for a school uniform, those who attend the school, kindergarten, and nursery school are eligible. (We may confirm which school the person attends by your health insurance card.)

Prohibited Activities

Dumping trash is against the law!

You must follow the rules in disposing of household trash and garbage and trash from business activities. Dumping trash is banned and carries a penalty of **imprisonment for up to five years or a fine of up to 10 million yen (300 million yen for companies) or both.**



不法投棄 禁止!

●ごみをポイ捨てた者は、まち美化条例により罰金以下の処罰の対象となります。
●悪質な場合は、法律により不潔罪と見なし、罰金以下の処罰もしくは1年以下の拘留、又は科料に処せられます。
●投棄者の自己責任でごみを清掃してください。
新居浜警察署 新居浜市

The City patrols periodically in the areas where trash is often dumped and sets up monitor cameras or sign boards to stop dumping. When blatant dumping of trash, or commercial or industrial waste, is found, the City informs the police and enforces a severe penalty when the dumper is identified. The City then removes the trash in cooperation with the agencies of the central and prefectural government.

If you see someone illegally dumping trash, call the police and report the situation (date, place, type of trash) and the license number of the car. If it is trash from business activities, please call the “Illegal Disposal of Industrial Waste Emergency Line” of the Ehime Prefectural Government at **0120-149-530**. (This is a toll-free call.)

***Do not attempt to approach or speak to the dumper directly as they may be dangerous.**

Burning Trash in Fields is Banned!

Since April 2001, burning trash in fields is prohibited because it produces air pollutants such as dioxin. Breaking this law carries a **penalty of up to five years imprisonment, or a fine of up to ten million yen, or both.** (However, if it affects the environment of the neighborhood, the City Government will step in, giving some orders or guidance.)

<Exceptions are as follows:>

- Burning trash that has been handled in accord with official standards, and following all laws.
- Burning which is necessary to carry out traditional or religious events. (e.g., burning New Year's decorations as a local event)
- Burning trash from forestry, fishery, or agriculture. (e.g., rice straw or trimmed branches of orange trees of agriculture or cut branches of forestry.)
- Small fires for use in everyday life. (e.g., burning wood chips for fire or campfire)



For further details, please call ☎65-1512 *Kankyō-hozen-ka* (Environmental Preservation Section).

Stealing Recyclables from Trash Stations is Banned!

Since October 1, 2009, Niihama City bans stealing recyclables from garbage and trash pick-up stations according by the ordinance “Niihama City ordinance regarding trash disposal and cleaning”, because old paper (newspaper) was often stolen before the collecting truck arrived at the trash and garbage stations. **Up to ¥200,000 fine.**

If you see someone stealing recyclables (old papers, bottles, cans, fabric, or PET bottles), do not warn them directly. Call ☎65-1252 *Gomi-genryō-ka* (Garbage Reduction Section) to report the date, the place, and the license number.

Put out garbage by 7:30 a.m. on collection days, not on the previous day. Please use the community collection as much as possible.



■ When your pet (cat or dog) has passed away

You can bring your deceased pet to the Seisō Center.

The handling charge for one is ¥300.

Please contact the Seisō Center before you bring it.

It will be burned with other “Burnables.”

If you dislike burning it with other trash and garbage or you want to pick up the remains of your pet, please contact and consult with a private pet cemetery.



< Contact Information >

◆ Regarding sorting and collection of trash & garbage

- Gomi-genryō-ka (Garbage Reduction Section) TEL : 65-1252
FAX : 65-1255

◆ About household trash you can take in City Facilities

- Niihama-shi Seisō Center
Kankyō-shisetsu-ka (Environmental Facility) TEL : 41-4225
- Niihama-shi Saishū Shobunjō TEL : 37-5300

◆ Requesting pick-up of Large Trash (Please make sure to dial the correct number.)

- The Large Trash pick-up number at City Hall TEL : 31-5300
FAX : 65-1255



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