

Thorntons

recycling

BATTERIES? NOT IN THE BIN!

All **batteries and vapes** are a serious fire risk & cannot go in any of your bins...

DO

- ✓ **Do** bring all batteries (AA, AAA, button cells, vapes, power packs) back to your local shop, supermarket or civic amenity site.
- ✓ **Do** tape the ends of used batteries or keep them in a small container.
- ✓ **Do** store batteries in a cool, dry place until drop-off.
- ✓ **Do** choose rechargeable batteries when possible.
- ✓ **Do** ask at the counter – shops that sell batteries must take them back for free.

DON'T

- ✗ **Don't** put any battery (or vape/device with a battery) in your household bins.
- ✗ **Don't** leave batteries loose in drawers, pockets, or bags with coins/keys.
- ✗ **Don't** crush, puncture or burn batteries.
- ✗ **Don't** store lots of used batteries at home – drop them off regularly.
- ✗ **Don't** put car batteries in household waste – bring them to a garage or civic amenity site.

Key Points to Remember

- **It's free** to bring used batteries back to any shop that sells them – it's the law.
- Vapes contain **lithium batteries** and must be recycled properly.
- **Aerosols & pressurised containers** don't belong in household bins.
- If it's **powered, pressurised, or electrical**, it should never go in your bin.
- Proper disposal helps **prevent fires**, protect crews and the environment.
- Find your nearest drop-off point at **mywaste.ie**