



Welcome to GBL!

Your guide to sorting LEGO with Great Brick Lab • *Serving your LEGO needs worldwide since 2017*



Thanks for joining our sorting team! You sort bulk LEGO at home, on your own schedule, and get paid for every pound you return sorted. Here's everything you need to know.

How it works

1

Pick up

Get a batch of bulk unsorted LEGO at our shop. Pay a \$25 deposit (first batch only).

2

Sort

Sort at home into at least **24 categories** on the GBL category sheet.

3

Return

Bring it back **within 30 days**, sorted or not.

4

Get paid

\$1.35 per pound of sorted LEGO, and your deposit back.

Start with a trial batch

First-timers start with a **smaller trial batch**. Once you return it, we go over your sorting with you, answer questions, and confirm quality. After you pass the trial, you can take **full-size loads**. It's the fastest way to learn our categories and start earning more.

The 30-day deadline

- Every batch is due back **within 30 days** of pickup, **completed or not**.
- Running behind? Text us and bring back what you have.
- A batch not returned is recorded as **misappropriation** of GBL property.

Payment

- **\$1.35 per pound** for LEGO sorted into the GBL categories.
- LEGO not sorted can be returned for **no payment**. No penalty, just bring it back.
- Your **\$25 deposit** is refunded when your first batch is returned.
- A signed Sorting Agreement is required at your first pickup.

Quality expectations

- Sort to **at least 24 categories** using the GBL category sheet.
- Keep each category clean: no stray pieces mixed in.
- Take apart all stuck-together pieces.
- Remove any non-LEGO items, trash, or debris.
- Bag or bin each category and label it with its CAT number.
- **NO SMOKING** around LEGO, ever. Smoke odor ruins pieces.

Category examples: CAT 1 round things/dishes/cylinders • CAT 2 2x+ plates • CAT 3 2x2 plates • CAT 4 tiles • CAT 5 decorated/printed • CAT 6 slopes/curves/wedges • CAT 7 1x1 round / 7A 1x1 square • CAT 8 1x3+ bricks / 8A 1x2 bricks • CAT 9 wheels & tires / 9A plants & trees • CAT 10 2x2 bricks • CAT 11 2x1 plates • CAT 12 1x1 bricks • CAT 13 2x2+ bricks • *and more. See your full category sheet.*

Top 5 tips from our best sorters

1

Work every day, even just 30 minutes

2

Listen to the radio, an audiobook, or a podcast

3

Use a take-apart tool

4

Keep your workstation set up

5

Take a 30-second break every 15 minutes and flex your fingers

Questions? We're here to help.

Text **(563) 265-1078** • greatbricklab@gmail.com

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Pickup & returns: **Mon-Fri 6am-1pm**, or by appointment

My pickup date: _____

My due date: _____

Batch ID: _____



About GBL

Great Brick Lab • *Serving your LEGO needs worldwide since 2017*

Our mission

"To deliver exceptional service to builders globally with a wide selection of Lego from new and used selections."

What we believe

We work for God and not man

We are a zero-debt organization

We focus on community engagement

Our customers deserve the best of our products and services

Why LEGO?

LEGO doesn't decay and can be washed, and parts made over 40 years ago still fit today's pieces. Pound for pound, LEGO can be worth more than gold. That's why careful sorting matters.

You're part of our processing network

- Sorters are part of GBL's **processing network**, which extends our capacity beyond the warehouse.
- Network members **work from home**.
- Our goal: a **50+ member network** of sorters and catalogers.
- We share what we know on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/@GreatBrickLab

Shop our LEGO stores: gbl.rocks (BrickOwl) • greatbricklab.com (BrickLink)

Who you'll work with

Doug Kirk, Operations Manager
Handles day-to-day pickups and contractor payouts.

Chris James, Owner

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