

Recycling Containers Collection Guidelines



DO

- **Rinse** plastic containers, steel and tin cans to remove liquid and food, then dry; this will help avoid attracting flies and other pests.
- **Leave** lids on if they are made of recyclable materials.
- **Break down** or cut up large cardboard boxes before placing in container. This prevents material from wedging inside the container, restricting contents from being disposed.
- **Place** junk mail or loose papers in brown paper bags. This prevents spills.
- **Ensure** recyclables are clean and dry.
- **Please** ensure lid of container is closed before placing out for collection.
- **Ensure** that the recycling container lid opens toward the collection vehicle.
- **Deliver** large pieces of cardboard that do not fit into your recycling container to your nearest drop off recycling bin.

DON'T

- **Place** your recycling container near parked cars, light poles, mailboxes, or near other obstacles that could hinder collection.
- **Leave** your recycling container at the curb after 6:00 pm if it has been serviced.
- **Stack** items on or near containers.
- **Leave** inserts in chipboard boxes.
- **Use** your recycling container for garbage.
- **Swap** containers with your neighbor.

Recycling — Good to go!

Other Paper Materials:

Computer and writing paper, file folders, paper bags, junk mail, shredded paper in clear bags, thermal fax paper, pet food bags

Glass (clean):

Food and beverage containers only

Aluminum & Metal Beverage:

Cans, tin and food cans, foil food wrappers

Plastic (clean):

Plastic containers with code symbols
1-7, 2-liter soda bottles, detergent bottles, milk jugs, clear food containers, 5-gallon buckets

Cardboard/Chipboard:

Corrugated boxes, shoe boxes, soda/beer boxes, dry food boxes such as cereal, cake mix, cracker boxes

Newspapers, magazines, phone books and all other inserts

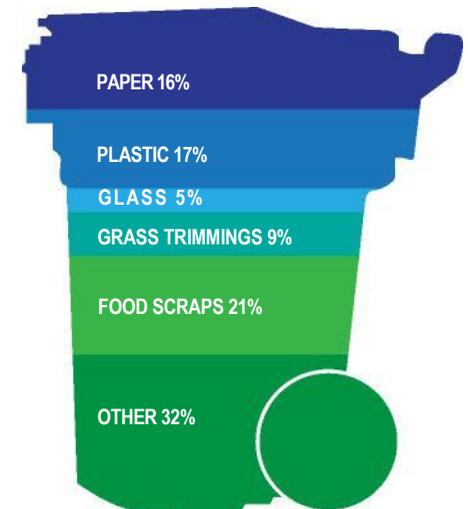
Non-recyclable - No thanks!

We will be unable to service your recycling container if there are non-recyclable materials in it, so remember, "If it's not on the list, please resist!"



- Wax-covered containers
- Light bulbs
- Pottery
- Window glass
- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam
- Packing peanuts
- Facial or toilet paper
- Paper towels/napkins
- Diapers
- Hazardous waste
- Solid waste

More than 75% of the average household's trash can either be recycled or composted.



Data from the 2010 Municipal Solid Waste Characterization Report

Give the world a hand, recycle in the can!

* In order to reduce spillage of loose recyclables like junk mail and loose papers, place them in a brown paper bag. **Do not** place recyclables in plastic bags as this makes it difficult to sort the items at the recycling facility

