

Chapter 61

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Liberty Village Board 12-2-1991 as L.L. No. 10-1991. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Garbage and rubbish — See Ch. 35.

§ 61-1. Findings and purpose.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Liberty finds that the conservation of recyclable materials is now a necessity in order to conserve natural resources, decrease the amount of solid waste, reduce the cost of solid waste disposal and extend the life of landfills where such disposal is made. It is the purpose of this legislation to institute a program of mandatory recycling for specific recyclable materials in any attempt to provide the maximum environmental and economic benefit with the minimum inconvenience to residents and property owners. Such a program is further designed to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the Village of Liberty.

§ 61-2. Definitions.

As used in this local law, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

RECYCLABLES — Discarded materials which may be reclaimed, comprising solid waste in the form of newspapers, clear glass bottles and jars, bimetallic cans, plastic and corrugated cardboard boxes which may be further defined as follows:

- A. Newspapers, clean, dry and unsoiled.
 - (1) Recyclable newspapers include newspaper, Sunday magazines, advertising inserts and mailed advertising sheets on newspaper stock.
 - (2) Recyclable newspapers do not include magazines, junk mail, file folders, telephone books advertisements, reports, paperback books and stationery.
- B. Clear glass bottles and jars. Recyclable bottles and jars do not include ceramics, window glass, safety glass or colored glass bottles and jars.
- C. Bimetallic cans. Recyclable bimetallic cans do not include aerosol cans or cans contaminated with toxic chemicals, as that term may be defined in federal, state, county, town or local laws, rules and regulations.
- D. Plastics. Recyclable plastics include only those marked PETE (1) and HDPE (2). Examples of these types of plastics include beverage containers, milk, cider, orange juice and water jugs and liquid detergent and bleach bottles.
- E. Corrugated cardboard boxes. Recyclable corrugated cardboard boxes include packing and shipping boxes that are clean and dry and free of wax or plastic coatings.

§ 61-3. Requirements.

- A. Recyclables shall be separated from all other garbage or solid waste.

- B. Recyclables shall be placed at the curbside on the designated morning for collection. Recyclables shall not be placed in such a manner as to become a hazard or potential hazard to public travel, health or safety or to become a nuisance of any sort.
- C. The blue recycling container will be picked up curbside when garbage is picked up. **[Amended 4-6-1992 by L.L. No. 6-1992]**
- D. Newspapers shall be tied with twine in bundles not more than 12 inches high. Newspapers are to be placed beside or on top of the blue recycling container.
- E. Clear glass bottles, jars, bimetallic cans and plastics shall be rinsed and cleaned. Labels need not be removed. Caps and lids must be removed. These recyclables are to be placed inside the blue recycling container.
- F. Corrugated cardboard boxes must be flattened out. These may be placed beside the blue recycling container.
- G. Recyclables shall not be placed in the same garbage can as or otherwise mixed with other forms of solid waste for collection, removal or disposal.
- H. From the time of placement beside the curb, recyclable materials shall become the property of the Village of Liberty. It shall be unlawful for anyone to collect, remove or dispose of recyclables which are the property of the Village without the consent of the Village Board.
- I. The Village Board shall be permitted, from time to time, to promulgate such rules or regulations as may be deemed necessary to effectuate the intent of this local law.

§ 61-4. Penalties for offenses.

- A. A person convicted of violating the provisions of this local law shall be guilty of an offense, punishable by a fine not

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to exceed \$250. **[Amended 9-27-2006 by L.L. No. 13-2006]**

- B. Failure to comply with the terms of this local law on a subsequent recycling collection day shall be considered a separate offense.

§ 61-5. When effective. [Amended 4-6-1992 by L.L. No. 6-1992]

This local law shall take effect the week of May 11, 1992.