



## RECYCLE OFTEN:



### Metal Cans

Steel, tin & aluminum soda, vegetable, fruit & tuna cans



### Plastic Bottles & Containers #1 -7



### Paper

Brown paper bags, non-confidential office paper, newspaper, magazines



### Paper Cardboard, Dairy & Juice Containers



### Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



### Glass Bottles & Jars

### **DO NOT INCLUDE:** Food waste, plastic bags, polystyrene foam cups & containers, or needles

Paper and cardboard must be dry and free of food debris.

Plastic bags and film plastic are not acceptable.

All food containers must be rinsed out and empty.

Tissues, paper towels and napkins are not recyclable.

Keep medical waste (syringes, needles) out of recycling containers or place in safe disposal containers like Waste Management's MedWaste Tracker® box.

### RECYCLE

Recyclable plastic containers  
 Steel/Tin/Aluminum items  
 Newspaper with no plastic wrap  
 Junk Mail/Catalogs/  
 Phone books  
 Magazines without wrappers  
 Flattened cereal/snack boxes and cardboard

### DO NOT Include

Loose plastic bags or package wrap  
 Broken/Sharp glass  
 Ceramic materials --- Scrap metal  
 Cloth/Clothing -- Liquids  
 Hazardous items - Shredded paper  
 Frozen Food Containers --- Food/Yard Waste  
 Nonrecyclable plastics



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## Most Common Contaminants

Keep these common contaminants OUT of your recycling bin.



### NO Recyclables in Plastic Bags

Empty loose recyclables in bin but leave the plastic bag out.



### NO Food & liquids

Compost instead! Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



### NO Electronics & Small Appliances

Donate if in good condition, or schedule a bulky item pickup, if available. Check [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for a local drop off site.



### NO Textiles, Bedding, Rugs & Carpet

Donate these items if they are in good condition. Large quantities may require special disposal.



### NO Hoses, Holiday Lights, Hangers & Extension Cords

They wrap around equipment and can shut down an entire facility! They all go in the trash.



### NO Plastic Bags, Film/Sheeting & Flexible Film Packaging

Take plastic bags back to a local grocer to keep bags clean and dry, and prevent them from shutting down recycling facilities. Visit [plasticfilmrecycling.org](http://plasticfilmrecycling.org) to find a drop off location near you.



### NO Paper Napkins, Plates, Cups & Tissues

Compost if possible, and remember to recycle the cardboard tube.



### NO Polystyrene Foam

Foam and plastic to-go containers are not recyclable curbside. Find drop off programs for items like foam packing peanuts at [earth911.com](http://earth911.com).



### NO Tires, Auto Parts & Scrap Metal

(Not in recycling or trash) Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. Contact local scrap recyclers or retail tire stores for recycling options, or check [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for a drop off center near you.



### NO Concrete, Wood & Construction Debris

Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. You may be able to schedule a bulky item pickup - otherwise throw it in the trash or order a roll off bin by contacting Waste Management Customer Service.



### NO Yard Waste & Wood

Compost or put in your yard waste cart, if available. Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



### NO Non-Recyclable Plastic

Not everything that is plastic is recyclable! Recycle only food & beverage bottles, jugs and tubs.

For more information on recycling, visit [RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com](http://RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com)