

# Acceptable Recyclables

- **All Metal**

- No liquids or food**

- Aluminum cans
    - Aluminum foil and trays
    - Caps and lids from bottles, jars and steel (tin) cans
    - Paint cans (must be empty or dry)
    - Spray cans (must be empty)
    - Steel (tin) cans, scrap metal, metal parts

- **Rigid Plastics greater than 6" and Plastic Bottles**

- No Styrofoam, plastic wrap, or plastic labeled "compostable" or "biodegradable"***

- Any Liquid Bottles: beverage, shampoo, detergent etc. (emptied and it's recommended to put the cap back on)
    - Buckets (metal handle okay)
    - Large plastic tubs
    - Laundry detergent bottles (emptied)
    - Plastic Flower Pots and Trays
    - Plastic Toys (without cords or batteries)

- **Most Paper**

- No paper food and beverage containers. No cartons. Items must be clean, dry, and unsoiled.**

- Paper Bags
    - Books (Hardcover books need to have cover and binding removed before they can be recycled, Paperback books can go straight into the blue bin)
    - Cardboard (non-waxed)
    - Cereal boxes and Paperboard (remove plastic liner)
    - Computer and office paper
    - Envelopes (windows okay)
    - Junk mail and magazines
    - Newspapers
    - Packing or Kraft paper
    - Phonebooks
    - Shredded paper, but not crosscut

- **All Glass Containers**

- Must be emptied of any food and liquid**

- Glass bottles and jars (metal caps and lids too)

***NO tempered glass like windows or kitchen glassware as this has been treated for heat which makes them hard to recycle***

# Unacceptable Recyclables

- **Paper Food and Beverage Containers:** paper cups, cartons, "tetrapack", aseptic containers
- **All Plastic Bags and Film Plastics:** saran wrap, pallet wrap, peel-away seals on food containers, food bags and wrappers, or any other type of flexible plastic wrapping
- **Pizza Boxes** (even if the lid is clean)
- **Plastic Food Containers:** clear plastic produce containers, yogurt cups, frozen meal containers, salsa cups, peanut butter jar, etc.
- **Common Disposable Items:** coffee cups, plastic utensils, plastic plates/cups, "styrofoam", etc.
- **Any food and liquid contaminated materials:** grease stained, filled with a lot of liquid, impossible to clean all the food out of, etc.

## **Other Items:**

- Cartons (dairy, soup, juice, etc.) go in the trash
- Foil-backed or plastic-backed paper
- Light bulbs: Incandescent, Fluorescents, CFLs, LEDs and HIDs  
Incandescent light bulbs can go in the brown bin to the landfill. **Fluorescents**, CFLs, LEDs, and HID bulbs contain mercury and must be disposed of as **hazardous waste**.
- Plastic labeled "Compostable" or "Biodegradable"  
If the plastic says 'compostable' on it and you are a participant of the foodscrap program please put this material in the yellow bin. 'Biodegradable' is not a certified standard for any method of disposal. Please reuse these materials or put them in the landfill.
- Soiled paper (paper cups, plates, napkins, tissues, towels, take-out boxes and greasy pizza boxes)  
If you are part of the foodscrap program please put these materials in the yellow bin.
- Styrofoam  
We are currently unable to recycle styrofoam. You might see a recycling symbol on it, but it is not marketable.
- "Tetrapak" lined aseptic cartons - these are shelf-stable products like soy milk and soup cartons
- Waxed cardboard and paper  
If you are part of the foodscrap program please put these materials in the yellow bin.
- Waxy paper milk or juice cartons
- Window glass
- Wine Cork
- Yogurt Containers