



Acceptable Recyclables

PAPER

cardboard/*all* boxes
newspaper & inserts/junk mail
hard cover books
magazines/catalogs/phone books
paper bags
office paper/window envelopes/ office file folders
paper plates (clean)/pizza boxes
paper shopping bags
empty drink & aseptic containers/ empty milk & juice
cartons
gift boxes
cereal boxes
corrugated cardboard
wrapping paper

PLASTIC

all empty containers marked with a #1-7, *except Styrofoam*
plastic grocery/shopping bags marked with a #2 or #4
water bottles (empty)
detergent bottles (empty)
milk jugs (empty)

METAL

empty tin cans
empty aerosol cans
empty aluminum cans
foil
pots & pans

GLASS

Unacceptable Items

light bulbs
vinyl siding
windows/glass
hypodermic needles or sharp
objects
paper napkins or towels
bubble wrap/Styrofoam/Tyvek
food/frozen food bags/liquids
toys/diapers
clothing
plastic wrap or film
potato chip, sandwich, or bread
bags
gas or propane containers
alkaline or button-cell batteries
trash/trash bags
No Hazardous Waste: fuel, anti-
freeze, oil-based paints, paint
thinners, stain, fertilizers,
pesticides, and other chemicals.
No Universal Waste: mercury in
thermostats, fluorescent bulbs,
compact fluorescent lights,
televisions, computers, and
button-cell batteries.

Single stream is leading-edge technology that eliminates the need to separate recyclables by category for collection. The benefits of single stream are increased participation in recycling which means less waste in our waste streams. Moreover, single stream is easier and requires less time because there is no need to separate recyclable materials.

Instead of separating recyclables by type, simply combine all glass, metal, paper, cardboard, and plastics #1-7 into one recycling container.

National statistics show that single-sort recycling systems result in more recycling. Why? Because it's so much easier (no sorting).