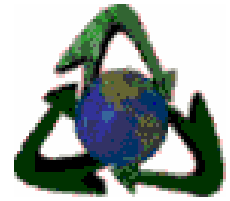




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Curbside Recycling

Place your red recycling bin at the curb by 6:30 am on your recycling day, at least six feet away from your trash and six feet from your yard waste. If you do not have a red recycling bin, one can be obtained from the Department of Public Works located at 14 West Forest, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. All recyclables need not fit in your recycling bin, but please make sure the bright red bin is plainly visible from the street. We suggest using the red bin for mixed containers (all glass, metal and milk cartons and plastic bottles). Place bags of paper and bundles of cardboard next to the bin without obscuring the view of the bin. If you don't have many containers, it is OK to use the bin for other recyclables. The key is the correct separations: mixed containers; newspaper mixed with magazines and junk mail; flattened corrugated cardboard; and flattened bundled boxboard.

CONTAINERS

(Mixed metal, glass and plastic bottles)

General Rules for Containers

- *place containers loose in your red recycling bin, containers can be mixed with each other but **MUST** be separate from all paper.
- ***NO** caps; plastic caps are trash; metal caps **MUST** be unscrewed from bottles & jars.

Steel

- *rinse and remove labels from cans
- *residential scrap metal, up to 20 lbs., and less than one cubic foot (e.g., pots and pans and utensils; NO electrical appliances).

Glass

- *bottles, jugs, jars, ceramics, etc.
- *glass items only – no metal or other contaminants
- ***NO** glass items larger than one cubic foot
- ***NO** dangerous glass – our collectors will not risk injury
- ***NO** light bulbs
- *remove lids

Aluminum

- *lightweight, silver or colored
- *pop cans, pie tins, foil, other aluminum food containers
- *no plastic-coated foil (e.g., potato chip bags)

Milk Cartons & Juice Boxes

- *rinse & flatten
- ***NO** plastic caps
- ***NO** juice concentrate tubes

Plastic Bottles

- *HDPE #2 and PET #1, identified by symbols on the bottoms of the container.
- *rinse & flatten
- ***NO** caps
- ***NO** tubs, trays, lids, film or plastic bags
- *if it is not a bottle or jug we cannot recycle it.
- ***NO** motor oil or transmission fluid containers

PET #1

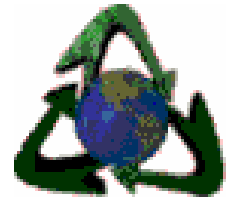
- *Bottles, jars and jugs only
- *No brown #1 bottles

Examples: peanut butter jars, water bottles

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HDPE #2

*Bottles and jugs only

Examples: milk jugs, windshield washer fluid, liquid laundry detergent, shampoo bottles

MOTOR OIL

*motor oil or hydraulic fluid only

*place oil at the curb in sturdy containers with good caps

*do **NOT** mix with any other fluids

*do **NOT** use glass or other fragile containers

*do **NOT** use containers larger than one gallon

***NO ANTIFREEZE**

PAPER

General Rules for Paper

*place in paper bags or cardboard boxes, or bundle with twine

*place next to or in bin, but don't block view of the bin

*no carbon paper, slick fax paper, plastic binders or tabs, paper clips, waxed paper, tissue paper, or rubber bands

*staples are OK

Separate paper into these categories:

Newsprint, Magazines & Junk Mail

*newspapers, including glossy inserts

*magazines and paperback books, including phone books

*mixed paper, whether glossy or not

*No plastic or metal tabs, binders, transparencies, etc.

*No tissue (throw it in the trash or your home compost)

Corrugated Cardboard

(the type with the little ripples between the layers)

*Flatten, pack in a cardboard box or bundle with twine

*brown bags and brown envelopes can be recycled with corrugated cardboard.

*please cut or fold large cardboard to 4x3 ft. maximum

Boxboard

(the non-layered type, e.g., cereal boxes or egg cartons)

*flatten, pack in a bag or bundle with twine

*no waxed cardboard (e.g., paper cups or ice cream tubs)

*MILK CARTONS AND JUICE BOXES ARE RECYCLED WITH CONTAINERS, NOT PAPER

*remove plastic windows

*no boxboard that touched food (e.g., french fry cartons)

BATTERIES

*we take both household and car batteries

*place batteries in clear, sturdy, closed plastic bags for curbside collection.

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