

Why Recycle?

- Taxpayers in East Hartford pay for every ton of waste sent to a disposal facility and earn a rebate for every ton of waste recycled.
- Helps protect your health as well as the environment.
- Reduces the amount of waste that must be disposed, which means less waste to incinerate or landfill.
- Reduces air and water pollution.
- Conserves precious natural resources, since less raw material need to be extracted and processed.
- Saves energy – for example, by recycling one aluminum can we save enough energy to run a TV set for three hours!
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions.
- Reduces the need to cut down trees to make paper – recycling a single run of the Sunday New York Times would save 75,000 trees.
- Makes us be more sustainable because we are borrowing less material and energy from our children's future.
- And in Connecticut, it is the law!



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See inside for reasons why you should recycle and what can and cannot be recycled.



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What CAN and CAN'T be Recycled

Paper



Materials should be clean and dry. They should be placed loose into the blue recycling barrel. Staples, paperclips, plastic windows and self-stick labels are ok. Shredded paper should be placed into a paper bag before it is placed in the cart. Juice boxes should be emptied of liquid and any caps or straws should be removed.

RECYCLE:

Newspaper and Advertising Inserts

Newspapers, Advertising Inserts, Weekly Mailers, Brochures

Magazines and Catalogs

Magazines, Catalogs, Glossy Printed Materials, Flyers, Trade Journals, Other High-End Publications, Phone Books

Office Paper

Booklets, Calendars, Envelopes, Fax Paper, File Folders, Graph Paper, Green Bar Paper, Copy Paper, Packing Paper, Paper Bags, Photocopies, Post-it Notes, Receipts, Shredded Paper (in paper bags), White and Colored Paper, Writing Tablets

Corrugated Cardboard and Paper Bags

Shipping Boxes, Moving Boxes, Consumer Goods Packaging (Toys, Electronics, Appliances, etc.), Other Corrugated Boxes

Milk and Juice Cartons and Aseptic Packaging

Juice Boxes, Individual Milk Drink, Boxes, Soup and Broth Cartons, Soy Milk Cartons, Rice Milk Cartons, Milk Cartons, Juice Cartons, Creamer Cartons, Iced Tea Cartons, Egg Nog Cartons, Other Gable Topped Cartons

DO NOT INCLUDE:

Wet Newspapers, Soiled Newspapers, Hardcover Books, Paperback Books, Paper Tissue (Paper towels, napkins, Kleenex, etc.), Food tainted items (used paper plates, bags or boxes), Liquid tainted cardboard, Soiled or Greasy Pizza Boxes, Soiled or Greasy Cardboard, Waxed Cardboard (used for frozen food items), Gift Wrap, Greeting Cards Tyvek or Plastic Envelopes, Products or Samples sent via U.S. Mail

Glass/Plastic



Glass/Plastic containers should be quickly rinsed clean and dried. Remove any caps. Labels are ok. Place loose into the blue recycling barrel.

RECYCLE:

Pasta Sauce Jars, Jams and Jelly Jars, Mason Jars, Other Clear Glass Jars and Bottles, Soda and Pop Bottles, Juice Bottles, Wine Bottles, Liquor and Spirits Bottles, Beer Bottles

#1 Plastic Food & Beverage Containers (up to 3 liters)

Water Bottles, Soda and Pop Bottles, Sports Water Bottles, Juice Bottles, Cooking Oil Bottles, Mineral Water Bottles, Dish Detergent & Cleaning Agent Bottles, Other Beverage Containers with #1, Other Food Containers with a #1

#2 Plastic Food & Beverage Containers (up to 2.5 gallons/6 liters)

Milk Jugs, Spring Water Jugs, Laundry Detergent Bottles, Bleach Bottles, Dish Detergent Bottles, Other Beverage Containers with #2, Other Food Containers with a #2

#3 through #7 Plastic Food, Beverage & Household Containers (up to 3 gallons/10 liters)

Yogurt Cups, Margarine, Butter, Cream Cheese Tubs, Takeout Food Containers and Trays, Rectangular Box Containers, Other Dairy Tubs and Cups, Other Beverage Containers #3 - #7, Other Food Containers #3 - #7

DO NOT INCLUDE:

Light Bulbs (return energy-efficient bulbs to the store), Drinking Glasses, Dining ware, Ceramic Kitchen Plates, Pyrex, Mirrors, Tiles, Window Glass, Opaque (non-see-through) Glass, Crystal, Leaded Glass, Auto Glass, Clay Pots or other Ceramic Wares. Plastic Bags (grocery bags may be returned to the store or reused), Black Plastic, Hazardous Chemical Containers, regardless of number on container, Motor Oil or Antifreeze Bottles, regardless of number on container, Polystyrene or Styrofoam, regardless of number on container, Plastic Containers labeled #3 -#7, Plastic Toys or Sporting Goods, Plastic Flower Pots, Styrofoam

Metal



Containers, food trays and foils should be quickly rinsed clean and dried. Cans should be un-flattened and not crushed. Foil should be washed clean and folded flat. Containers up to 2.5 gallons/6 liters in size are ok. Lids and labels are ok. Containers, food trays and foils should be placed loose into the blue recycling barrel.

RECYCLE:

Metal (Steel, Tin and Bi-Metal) Food and Beverage Containers

Soup & Vegetable Cans, Juice Cans, Other Food Cans, Cookie Tins, Dog & Cat Food Cans, Bulk Size Vegetable Containers

Aluminum Containers, Food Trays and Foils

Soda & Pop Cans, Beer Cans, Energy Drink Cans, Other Aluminum Containers, Take-out Food Trays, Pie Tins, Muffin Tins, Aluminum Foil - Clean

Aerosol Cans (Non-Hazardous Substances Only)

Cooking Oil Spray, Other Food Sprays, Air Freshener Spray, Cleaning Spray, Hair Spray, Shaving Cream Cans, Other Empty Non-Hazardous Aerosol Cans

DO NOT INCLUDE:

Scrap Metal (Schedule Curbside Pickup or Recycle at Transfer Station), Paint Cans (Recycle at Household Hazardous Waste Collection or through PaintCare), Aerosol Paint Cans, Coat Hangers, Pots and Pans, Metal Tools, Batteries, Food Contaminated Foil, Aluminum Auto Parts (Schedule Curbside Pickup or Recycle at Transfer Station), Aerosol Automotive Products, No Hazardous Substances



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