



# Single Stream Recycling 101:



**Your Guide to Better Recycling Practices**

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# Acceptable Items to Recycle



## METAL:

- Aluminum beverage cans
- Steel food and beverage cans & aerosol cans

## GLASS:

- Clear, brown, & green glass food and beverage containers

## PLASTICS:

- #1 - #7 containers & bottles with necks smaller than their bases

## PAPER, PAPERBOARD, & CARDBOARD:

- All sizes of cardboard boxes
- Pizza boxes
- Food boxes (i.e. cereal & Jello boxes)
- *EMPTY* paper towel & toilet paper rolls
- Paperboard packaging (i.e. tissue boxes)
- Office paper (any color)
- Shredded paper (in clear plastic bags please)
- Newspapers & inserts
- Magazines, catalogs, & brochures
- Envelopes & junk mail
- Paper bags
- Phone books & other soft cover books

# How to Prepare Recyclables

## Metal Cans, Glass, & Plastics

- Remove caps/lids
- Rinse thoroughly
- It is okay to leave on labels and neck rings



## Paper, Paperboard & Cardboard

- Remove all packaging (Styrofoam, peanuts, plastic, bubble wrap, plastic liners, etc.)
- Flatten ALL boxes/cardboard
- Bundle all cardboard that does not fit into the recycling bin
- Cover loose paper with heavier containers to prevent it from blowing away
- Check weather forecast: If the forecast calls for high winds or rain, keep your recyclables inside until the following week if possible. Wet paper products can not be reused!



# Unacceptable Items to Recycle



- **NEEDLES (Do NOT place used needles with recycling! This is a serious health hazard to everyone)**
- Plastic tubs, cups, & trays
- Broken glass
- Windows, mirrors, ceramics
- Drinking glasses
- Aluminum foil
- Scrap metal
- Tupperware or disposable plastic containers
- Plastic tableware (knives, forks, spoons, etc)
- Plastic grocery bags
- Light bulbs
- All solvent, oil & chemical containers
- Food soiled material
- Paperboard juice and milk containers
- Soaked and/or wet papers or cardboard
- Plastic food wrappers
- Used paper towels or tissues



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