



Contaminated

RECYCLING PRACTICES

PLEASE KEEP THESE THINGS OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING!

NO PLASTIC BAGS

Plastic bags are the worst contaminant in the recycling bin. They also slow down sorting when items are left in plastic bags.



NO SHREDED PAPER that is not in a paper bag. Shreds are too small and get stuck in sorting machine.



NO HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous waste include paint, automotive fluids, car batteries and pesticides.



NO STYROFOAM

Styrofoam and other expanded polystyrene are not recyclable.



NO TANGLERS

Tanglers are rope like objects that can bind up the machinery.



NO FOOD OR FOOD SOILED CONTAINERS
Food waste contaminates entire loads of good recycling



NO CERAMICS or NON RECYCLABLE GLASS
Ceramic, china, dishes, mirrors, lightbulbs, Pyrex, window glass are not recyclable



NO LIQUIDS
Containers with liquid contaminate entire loads of good recycling



Help in other ways!

Reduce the amount of waste generated in the landfill and improve overall waste management processes and programs by practicing the following:

- **Reduce** - Look for products that use less packaging
- **Reuse** - Buy reusable over disposable items
- **Repurpose** - take something and use it for something else
- **Refuse** - refuse to buy or accept products that can harm you, your company and the environment
- **Rot** - Always compost when you can
- **RECYCLE** - Pay attention to the entire life cycle of items you bring into your life!



#nottrash

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THANKYOU

Common Recycling mistakes: Do NOT put these items in the bins!



Paper
Plastic Bags
Cat Food Cans
Metal Cans
Food Waste
Trash
Glass



Paper
Plastic Bags
Aluminum Cans
Trash
Glass
Black Plastic
Food Containers
Bottles with Liquid
Styrofoam
Kids Toys



Cardboard
Plastic Bags
Plastic Bottles
Glass
Styrofoam
Trash
Hard Back Books
Shredded Paper



Paper
Plastic
Styrofoam
Glass
Food Waste
Trash



Paper
Plastic
Styrofoam
Aluminum
Trash
Food Waste
Toilets