

Paper, Plastic, Metal, & Glass can all be mixed together.

PAPER

• All Clean Cardboard,

NO PIZZA BOXES or cardboard with food waste

- Newspapers & Inserts
- Magazines
- Mail & Catalogs
- Paper Bags
- Office Paper & Envelopes
- Wrapping Paper
- Phone Books
- Hard Cover Books
- Paper Plates (clean)
- Milk & Juice Cartons
- Drink Boxes & Aseptic Containers
- Shredded Paper (put in clear bags)

PLASTIC

- Water Bottles
- Milk Jugs
- Detergent Bottles
- All rigid containers marked with a #1-#7 (except Styrofoam)
- Plastic Grocery & Large Shopping Bags marked with #2 or #4

METAL

- Tin Cans
- Aerosol Cans (empty)
- Aluminum Cans/Foil
- Pots & Pans

GLASS

All glass Bottles & Jars (all colors)

All Containers Must Be EMPTY

Don't Recycle

Note Size! <u>Nothing bigger than</u> <u>a 5-gallon bucket</u>

Trash/Garbage Needles & Sharps No Large metal parts car, boat, truck, etc. Wood/lumber

Propane, helium or other gas cylinders Piping, plastic or metal

Clothing & shoes Plastic bags:

- frozen vegetable
- bread bags
- newspaper bags
- potato or snack
- sandwich
- trash bags

Plastic wrap or film Garden hoses

Batteries, alkaline or button-cell Boat shrink-wrap/tarps Bubble-wrap Diapers Envelopes that are plastic or Tyvek® Food (compost it)

Kitty litter

Knives Light bulbs (any type;

return CFLs to store) Paper napkin/towels

Styrofoam® or polystyrene foam

(even if marked #6) Toys

Vinyl siding

Waxed paper / boxes

Know which Plastics to Recycle

With the exception of Styrofoam®, your plastic is recyclable if the answers to all three questions are **YES**:

1. Does it have a number (1-7) in the middle of the chasing arrows?

2. Is it rigid or hard? (However, large shopping bags *are* recyclable)

3. Is it a container?



No hazardous waste – ever!

Items categorized as "hazardous waste" must be disposed of carefully and cannot be included with your trash or with single-sort recycling. Such as:

- * Ammunition
- ✗ Anti-freeze
- Button-cell batteries
- CFL light bulbs (compact fluorescent lights)
- * Chemicals
- Computers & related parts
- ✗ Fertilizers
- Fluorescent bulbs (of any kind)
- ✗ Fuel (gasoline, diesel, kerosene)
- Mercury (in any amount)
- Oxygen tanks
- ✤ Paint thinner
- Pesticides
- Propane tanks
- * Rechargeable batteries
- 🗴 TVs

However, area transfer stations and recycling centers often offer programs to take this kind of waste.

For more information,

- Go to www.ecomaine.org
- Call ecomaine at 773-1738
- Call your town office

