

# RECYCLING GUIDE

Only **accepted recyclables like metals, glass, paper, and plastics** belong in the recycling bin. Make sure all items are empty, clean, and dry. Not sure about something? Don't put it in the bin: It could send it all to a landfill.

## METALS

Make sure all are empty, clean, and dry. Labels can be left on. Leave tops on cans, though separated is okay.

**Accepted Items:** Aluminum, steel, and tin cans; can tops; metal lids; aerosol containers; aluminum foil; foil baking tins; paint cans.



## GLASS

Make sure all are empty, clean, and dry. Labels can be left on. Remove and recycle caps, lids, and pumps separately.

**Accepted Items:** Clear, brown, green, and blue bottles and jars.



## PAPER

No waxy, greasy, or food-stained paper. Paper clips can be left on. Staples can be left on. Large boxes should be folded or cut to fit.

**Accepted Items:** Newspaper and inserts; cardboard and paperboard tubes; clean/grease-free pizza boxes; office and construction paper; magazines and catalogs; envelopes (with or without windows); sticky notes; wrapping paper; paper shopping bags; greeting cards.



## PLASTICS

Make sure all are empty, clean, and dry. Labels can be left on. Recycle caps, lids, and pumps on containers.

**Accepted Items:** All colors of all hard or rigid plastic bottles, jars, containers, and food bowls and trays; clamshell containers; plastic caps; bottle pumps.



## OTHER

Make sure all are empty, clean, and dry. Labels can be left on.

**Accepted Items:** Milk and juice cartons; aseptic soup, broth, and juice cartons.



**Keep These Out of the Recycling Bin:** Plastic bags; Styrofoam™; food or yard (organic) waste; e-waste and electronics; household hazardous waste; medical waste (sharps and medicine).

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