

GET CART SMART

Everyone knows bottles and cans go in the recycling bin, but the following items are often mistaken as curbside recyclables. When in doubt, throw it out!



No aerosol cans



No Styrofoam



No frozen food boxes



No receipts



No small/shredded paper, creamers, sweetener packets, etc.



No paper towels or napkins



No straws, to-go cups, solo cups or lids



No to-go trays or clamshells



No household or car batteries



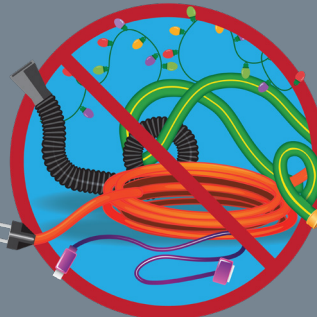
No household glass, mirrors or ceramics



No pumps, tubes or gloves



No plastic wrap, pillows or bags



No tangles (hoses, cords, etc.)



No scrap metal



No textiles



No food waste



No hazardous or medical waste



No bagged recyclables

NON-CURBSIDE RECYCLABLES

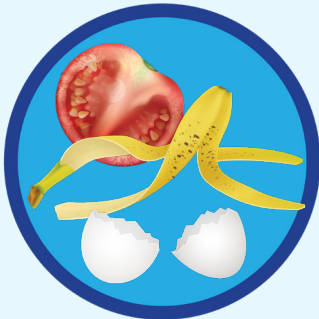
While these items are NOT accepted in your curbside recycling, there are alternative ways to keep them out of the landfill. Call your local recycling convenience center to find out if they accept these items and more!



Plastic bags and wrap:
Return clean, dry plastic bags, wraps and packaging to your local retailer.



Clothing:
Bring clothing and textiles to a convenience center or thrift store.



Food waste:
Dispose of food waste in your compost or trash bin.



Appliances:
Take appliances to a convenience center.



Scrap metal:
Take scrap metal and wire to a convenience center.



Electronics:
Take computers, televisions and other electronics to a convenience center.

OVERLOOKED RECYCLABLES

The following items are commonly overlooked when it comes to recycling at home. Get cart smart — put them in your recycling bin!



Dish soap and laundry detergent bottles



Food and beverage cartons



Personal care bottles



Envelopes, Post-its, index cards and magazines



Paper towel/ toilet paper rolls



Clean pizza boxes and flattened cardboard boxes



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