

Curbside Recycling Guidelines

Recycling Tips:

No plastic bags. Resist the temptation to put your recyclables in plastic bags and throw them into your recycle cart/bin

Leave caps on. Loose caps are too small for our equipment to recognize and often end up with the glass. We prefer lids and

caps remain securely on bottles/jars Rinsing out containers is not necessary (unless you want to avoid an odor problem in your container)

· Pizza boxes are not recyclable. While they are made of cardboard, the grease from the pizza contaminates the recycling process. The same goes for paper plates

Shredded paper is a problem for our equipment. While it is recyclable, because of the size, it falls through the machinery

and ends up in the glass as garbage.

NEW!

Milk, juice, broth, soup and other food & beverage cartons



Aluminum & other metal cans



Glass bottles & jars



Newspapers, brochures & inserts



File folders. office paper



Greeting cards, regular & junk mail



Paperboard boxes (cereal, pasta, tissue etc.)



#1 - #7 Plastic bottles (excluding #6) & jugs (caps removed)



Corrugated cardboard (flattened)







Magazines & catalogs



Phone books

These items are not accepted:

- Styrofoam
- · Electronic waste (batteries, cell phones, computers, etc.)
- · Hazardous waste (paint, pesticides, cleaners)
- · Used oil or oil containers
- · Window panes, mirrors, ceramics
- · Medical waste (syringes, needles, etc.)
- · Yard waste
- Food waste
- Trash



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> What is a carton?

Cartons are a type of packaging for food and beverage products you can purchase at the store. They are easy to recognize and are available in two types – shelf stable and refrigerated.

Shelf-stable cartons (types of products)

Juice

Milk

Soy Milk

Soup and broth

Wine

You will find these products on the shelves in grocery stores.



Refrigerated (types of products)

Milk

Juice

Cream

Egg substitutes

You will find these products in the chilled sections of grocery stores.



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What are cartons made from?

Cartons are mainly made from paper in the form of paperboard, as well as thin layers of polyethylene (plastic) and/or aluminum. Shelf-stable cartons contain on average 74% paper, 22% polyethylene and 4% aluminum. Refrigerated cartons contain about 80% paper and 20% polyethylene.

Are cartons recyclable?

Yes! Cartons are recyclable. In fact, the paper fiber contained in cartons is extremely valuable and useful to make new products.

> How do I recycle cartons?

Simply place the cartons in your recycling container with all of your other recyclables. They will be sorted out at our state of the art recycling facility.

Do I need to rinse my cartons?

There are no requirements to rinse your cartons. As long as the carton is empty, it is okay to place it in your recycling container. However, you may want to rinse your cartons to ensure the carton is empty and to alleviate any potential odor problems in your recycling container.

> What happens to cartons after they are collected?

After cartons are collected curbside, they are brought to our recycle center to be sorted and baled. The bales of cartons are then shipped to paper mills, where cartons are mixed with water in a gigantic blender to extract all the paper fiber from the plastic and aluminum. The paper fiber is then ready to be used in making new products such as recycled paper products and building material.

What becomes of the cartons?

The recycled carton paper fibers are a valuable resource for making new products. What recycled cartons become depends on the area of the country and the mill itself. Some mills recycle cartons into tissues, while others use the paper fibers to make office paper. In some cases, they are even being used as one of the materials for wall boards manufacturing.



NEW! NuWay Disposal now accepts cartons for recycling!

The last drop of milk, juice or soup does not mark the end of a carton's useful life. Made mainly from high-quality paper, cartons are easily recyclable and in high demand by manufacturers of recycled products.

HOW? Simply place empty cartons in your recycling bin with your plastic, metal and glass containers.

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