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# Most Common Contaminants

Keep these common contaminants OUT of your recycling bin.



## NO Recyclables in Plastic Bags

Empty loose recyclables in bin but leave the plastic bag out.



## NO Food & liquids

Compost instead! Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



## NO Electronics & Small Appliances

Donate if in good condition, or schedule a bulky item pickup, if available. Check [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for a local drop off site.



## NO Textiles, Bedding, Rugs & Carpet

Donate these items if they are in good condition. Large quantities may require special disposal.



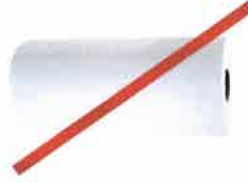
## NO Hoses, Holiday Lights, Hangers & Extension Cords

They wrap around equipment and can shut down an entire facility! They all go in the trash.



## NO Plastic Bags, Film/Sheeting & Flexible Film Packaging

Take plastic bags back to a local grocer to keep bags clean and dry, and prevent them from shutting down recycling facilities. Visit [plasticfilmrecycling.org](http://plasticfilmrecycling.org) to find a drop off location near you.



## NO Paper Napkins, Plates, Cups & Tissues

Compost if possible, and remember to recycle the cardboard tube.



## NO Polystyrene Foam

Foam and plastic to-go containers are not recyclable curbside. Find drop off programs for items like foam packing peanuts at [earth911.com](http://earth911.com).



## NO Tires, Auto Parts & Scrap Metal

*(Not in recycling or trash)* Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. Contact local scrap recyclers or retail tire stores for recycling options, or check [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for a drop off center near you.



## NO Concrete, Wood & Construction Debris

Can damage equipment & are safety hazards. You may be able to schedule a bulky item pickup - otherwise throw it in the trash or order a roll off bin by contacting Waste Management Customer Service.



## NO Yard Waste & Wood

Compost or put in your yard waste cart, if available. Otherwise, it belongs in the trash.



## NO Non-Recyclable Plastic

Not everything that is plastic is recyclable! Recycle only food & beverage bottles, jugs and tubs.

For more information on recycling, visit [RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com](http://RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com)



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**Always recycle:**

*Recicle siempre:*



**Plastic Bottles & Containers**

Botellas y envases de plástico



**Food & Beverage Cans**

Latas de alimentos y bebidas



**Paper**

Papeles



**Flattened Cardboard  
& Paperboard**

Cartón y cartulina aplastados



**Food & Beverage Cartons**

Cartones de alimentos y bebidas



**Glass Bottles & Containers**

Botellas y frascos de vidrio

**Do NOT include in your mixed recycling cart:**

*NO incluya en su contenedor de reciclaje mixto:*



**NO Food or Liquids**

NO comida o líquidos



**NO Foam Cups & Containers**

NO vasos y recipientes  
de poliestireno



**NO Clothing, Furniture & Carpet**

NO ropa, muebles y alfombras



**NO Loose Plastic Bags,  
Film or Bagged Recyclables**

Empty recyclables directly into  
your cart

NO bolsas y envolturas de  
plástico sueltas, o materiales  
reciclables embolsados

Vacié directamente los materiales  
reciclables en nuestro carrito



**NO Batteries or Needles in the Recycling or Trash**

Batteries and needles pose safety risks for our employees.

Check for local drop-off programs for proper disposal

NO arrojes pilas o agujas en el reciclaje o la basura

Las pilas y las agujas presentan riesgos de salud para nuestros  
empleados. Puede visitar los programas locales de entrega para  
su disposición adecuada.

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