



# What can I recycle in my cart?



## Acceptable CONTAINER Products: (Place in Recycle Cart)

- #1 Plastic – Soda & water beverage bottles, peanut butter jars, salad dressing bottles, household cleaners – PETE
- #2 Plastic – Milk & juice jugs, detergent bottles, yogurt cups – HDPE
- #3 Plastic – NARROW NECK CONTAINERS ONLY: salad dressing bottles, liquid detergent, household cleaners – PVC or V
- #4 Plastic – Margarine tubs, frozen dessert cups, 6pk & 12pk rings, food storage containers – LDPE
- #5 Plastic – Yogurt cups, narrow neck syrup and ketchup bottles – PP
- #6 Plastic – Disposable plates & cups, plastic cutlery, aspirin bottles, and compact disc cases - PS
- #7 Plastic – NARROW NECK CONTAINERS ONLY - OTHER
- Aluminum cans, trays, and foil
- Glass jars – clear, green, and brown
- Steel & tin cans (food cans ONLY)



## Unacceptable CONTAINER Products: (Place in Trash or Recycle at Established Centers)

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| Ceramics         | Plastic toys | Flower pots   | DVD/CD's      |
| Light bulbs      | Window glass | Auto glass    | Floppy disks  |
| Drinking glasses | Plastic bags | Aluminum foil | Plastic pipes |
| Styrofoam        |              |               |               |



## Acceptable PAPER Products: (Place in Recycle Cart)

- Newspapers including inserts
- Cardboard *unsoiled* (NO waxed cardboard)
- Brown paper bags
- Magazines, catalogs, phonebooks
- Chipboard (cereal, cake and food mix boxes)
- Carrier stock (soda & beer carrying cases)
- Junk mail & envelopes (including window envelopes)
- Paperback books
- Hardcover books ONLY if cover is removed



## Unacceptable PAPER Products: (Place in Trash or Recycle at Established Centers)

- Styrofoam
- Tissue products/paper toweling
- Dairy carton boxes
- Holiday wrapping paper
- Frozen food boxes (wax-coated)
- Pizza boxes or Carryout wrappers
- Soiled/contaminated paper

## More Helpful Tips



BOTTLE CAPS CAN REMAIN ON THE ITEM AND CAN BE RECYCLED TOO!



RINSE PLASTIC AND METAL CONTAINERS TO REMOVE ALL REMAINING RESIDUE.



WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT (IN THE GARBAGE).

DO NOT PLACE YARD WASTE IN YOUR RECYCLING CART.



PLACE ALL RECYCLABLES LOOSE IN THE RECYCLING BIN OR CART.




ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN YOUR CART OR BIN TO BE COLLECTED. DO NOT PLACE RECYCLABLES ON TOP OF OR AROUND YOUR CONTAINER.



# COMMON RECYCLING MISTAKES

These are items that often show up in recycling carts and bins, but they **CANNOT BE RECYCLED AT THE CURB.**

	<b>PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS</b>	These are the most common item in the cart that shouldn't be here, and they can be the MOST detrimental. When they get caught in the recycling sorter, they have to shut the whole system down and manually pull them out. Instead, consider recycling them by taking them back to grocery, pharmacy, or big-box stores where there are specially designated bins for recycling plastic bags.
	<b>TAKE-OUT CONTAINERS &amp; DONUT BOXES</b>	Food residue contaminates the boxes or other recyclable material. They can only be recycled if free of all food waste and residue from food (think cheese and grease from pizza).
	<b>POLYSTYRENE (STYROFOAM)</b>	Although Styrofoam is recyclable, it requires highly specialized equipment that single stream recycling facilities are not equipped with. Some restaurants (such as Chick-fil-A) accept their own Styrofoam cups for recycling.
	<b>PAPER COFFEE CUPS</b>	Although often thought of as a better alternative to Styrofoam, paper cups pose issues to recycling as well due to the plastic coating applied to prevent leaking. Your best bet is to bring your own mug!
	<b>SHREDDED PAPER</b>	Although paper is recyclable, shredding paper reduces its size so dramatically that it ends up mixed with the residue or glass at recycling facilities. Because the machines sort broken glass and other debris by size, the shredded paper often gets destroyed or disposed of because it ends up in the wrong place. Once it is mixed with glass or residue, it cannot be recovered for recycling.
	<b>PIZZA BOXES</b>	This is one of the MOST common recycling mistakes. Although they are made of cardboard, the grease from the pizza contaminates the raw material. You can tear off the untarnished parts and recycle them though!
	<b>HOUSEHOLD GLASS</b>	Items like window panes, mirrors, light bulbs and dishes are dangerous and should be left out of your recycling. Light bulbs can be recycled at many hardware and home improvement stores. Dishes, if not broken, can be donated to local charities.
	<b>WET PAPER</b>	Paper that has gotten wet can make recycling difficult or impossible. Take care to cover your recyclables to keep them safe from the elements. Wet paper should be discarded with the trash.
	<b>AEROSOL CANS</b>	While these are made of metal, because of the chemicals used to pressurize the cans, they are classified as a household hazardous waste and should be discarded as such – NOT with recyclables or with the garbage.
	<b>CERAMICS &amp; POTTERY</b>	This includes things like coffee mugs and old flower pots. Look into donating items like this if they are in alright shape, someone else may be able to reuse them!
	<b>PAINT, PESTICIDES, AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS, DIESEL FUEL, GASOLINE, KEROSENE &amp; CAR BATTERIES</b>	They cannot be accepted and should be disposed of at a hazardous waste disposal facility.
	<b>AUTOMOTIVE PARTS &amp; SCRAP METALS</b>	These are too large and cumbersome for recycling equipment and could cause injury.
	<b>HYPODERMIC NEEDLES</b>	At one time, people were told that it was safe to put needles into a plastic bottle. It is not safe to put in the recycling or trash. Disposal workers can be exposed to grave illness and blood borne diseases. People need to properly dispose of used needles.



# Residential Services - FAQs



## Does the trash inside my carts have to be bagged?

No clear or blue bags are necessary; items can be placed directly into the carts. However, bagging your items will keep your carts cleaner longer. Any color bag will be accepted as long as it is inside the proper cart. If you need to clean your carts, use water and bleach or any household cleaner.

## Can I dispose of paint in my trash?

ONLY latex-based paint can be disposed of in your trash cart as long as it is completely dried first. Oil dry or kitty litter can be used to speed up the drying process. All other paints, varnishes, stains, thinner/stripper, etc. is hazardous household waste and cannot be disposed of in your carts. Contact the Ozaukee County Hazardous Waste Collection Center at 1275 Mineral Springs Drive in Port Washington (262)243-8998 to properly and safely dispose of these.

## Can I rent a dumpster or container for my household clean-up?

Yes! If you have a major home clean-up project and will need to toss more than your trash and recycling carts can hold, just place a request for services with Advanced Disposal via phone at (800)387-0949 or online at [www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care/request-service.aspx](http://www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care/request-service.aspx). Dumpsters and containers of various sizes are available to choose from depending on the size of your clean-up project.

## Can I recycle my drained motor oil?

Advanced Disposal does NOT collect motor oil. Village of Belgium residents may bring their used motor oil to the Belgium Recycling Center located at 620 Park Street with the purchase of an access card. There is a designated drum for waste motor oil, labeled as such. Area businesses may bring their used motor oil to the Ozaukee County Highway Department located in Port Washington at 410 S. Spring Street. Call ahead for details and hours at (262) 284-8331.

## How do I dispose of cooking oil?

Small amounts of cooking oil can be mixed with oil dry or kitty litter until it is completely dry. Then it can be double bagged and placed in your refuse cart. Large amounts of cooking oil should not be flushed into drains or septic tanks. Instead, it should be recycled at the Ozaukee County Hazardous Waste Collection Center at 1275 Mineral Springs Drive in Port Washington (262)243-8998.

## What should I do if my carts are damaged or stolen?

Please contact Advanced Disposal at (920)458-6030 to report damaged or stolen carts and receive replacements.

## What should I do if I don't have enough room in my village-provided residential trash and/or recycling cart each week?

Residential customers may contact Advanced Disposal at (920)458-6030 to contract for additional bins at resident's expense.

## Does Advanced Disposal pick up furniture or appliances for recycling or reuse?

Items such as home furnishings, mattresses, carpet and appliances require special handling and advanced notice. Call Advanced Disposal at (800) 387-0949 or go to their website at [www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care/request-service.aspx](http://www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care/request-service.aspx) to schedule a special pick-up. If the items are in good condition, you may wish to donate them to a local charity (they often pick up large donated items), try to sell some of them or list them as free for pick-up first through online or store ads, or use earth911.com or freecycle.org as alternatives. Your local recycling center may take some of those items as well. Please see the list of residential items accepted at the Belgium Recycling Center in the following pages.

## How do I dispose of building material from my home remodel, roof re-shingling, or construction project?

Per §231-4, all debris resulting from construction, shingling/re-shingling or remodeling must be done by the contractor or property owner via placement of a dumpster on the property for disposal of construction waste. Contact Advanced Disposal at (920)458-6030 or online at <http://www.advanceddisposal.com/customer-care/customer-care.aspx> to request a dumpster appropriately sized for your project.

## The Right Size Dumpster For Any Size Job!

