

# Recycle together in Clackamas County:



## Paper and cardboard:

Newspapers (*no plastic bags*)  
Magazines, catalogs, phone books  
Opened junk mail, office paper  
Cereal, cracker, and shoe-type boxes  
(*no liners*)  
Shredded paper - place in paper bag  
Paper bags, paper egg cartons  
Labels from metal cans  
Wrapping paper, greeting cards (*no foil*)  
Milk, juice, soup cartons  
(*rinsed & drained*)



## Metals:

Clean metal cans  
Clean foil, pie plates, and trays  
Empty aerosol cans  
(*don't puncture or remove nozzle*)  
Other scrap metal  
(*30 lb. max., no longer than 30 in.*)



## Clean plastic bottles, tubs, buckets, and nursery pots: (*no lids*)

Plastic bottles and tubs, 6 oz. and larger  
Buckets, no larger than 5 gallons  
Rigid nursery pots, 4" across and larger (*no dirt*)

**PLASTIC BAGS:**  
**Not recyclable curbside!**

**WARNING:**  
**Include clean recyclables only,**  
**if not clean, they are garbage.**

## Keep glass & motor oil on the side:



### Place clean glass bottles and jars in a container separate from other recyclables:

**NO** bags, plates, glasses, cookware, ceramics, candleholders, vases, light bulbs, mirrors, window or picture frame glass



### Motor oil:

Recycle in a marked, unbreakable container, no larger than two gallons, with a screw top lid. (residential only)

# Not recyclable in our program: *When in doubt, leave it out!*

## Paper - Not Recyclable

Paper with food on it (pizza boxes, etc.)

Wax, plastic, or foil coated paper

Paper with “wet strength” in it:

Frozen food boxes, paper cups, paper plates, napkins, paper towels, tissue, and pet food bags

*“Wet strength” is an additive that keeps paper together when it gets wet. This means the paper doesn’t break down in the papermaking process.*



## Glass - Not Recyclable

Plates, glassware, cookware, ceramics & vases

Mirrors, picture frame & window glass

**Light bulbs** - Put incandescent, halogen & LED lights in the garbage. Fluorescent lights contain mercury, contact Metro, 503-234-3000, for safe disposal options.

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## Plastics - Not Recyclable

Plastic bags and film

(recycle shopping bags at grocery stores)



Any plastic bottle or tub smaller than 6 oz.



Styrofoam® packaging, peanuts, trays, take-out containers



Clear “clamshells” and bakery containers

Lids, trays, cups, plates, silverware



Blister packaging

(tough, clear, product-shaped, display plastic)

Toys and large items

Biodegradable plastics

Food contaminated items



Hazardous material and motor oil bottles

Any plastics not listed on the other side.



## Questions:

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