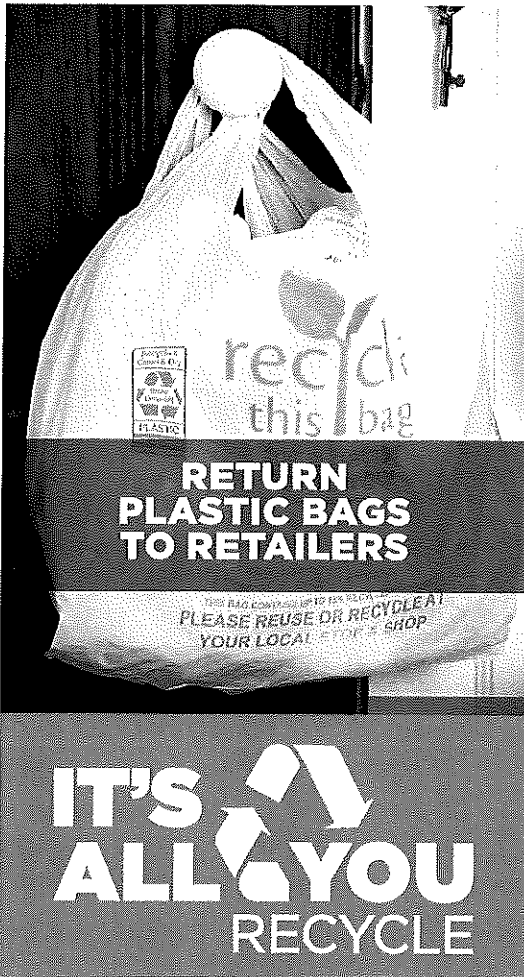




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RECYCLE

THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING THESE:



Cans



Food and Beverage Cans
empty and rinse



Glass



Bottles and Jars
empty and rinse



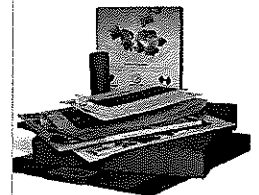
Plastic Containers



Kitchen, Laundry, Bath
empty and replace cap

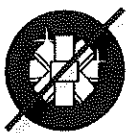


Paper & Cardboard



Mixed Paper, Envelopes, Newspaper, Magazines, Cardboard
empty and flatten

NO!



No Shiny, Metallic or Glittery Wrapping Paper, No Bows or Ribbons



No Milk, Juice, or Soy/Almond/Coconut Cartons (place in trash)



Do Not Bag Recyclables in Plastic



No Plastic Bags or Plastic Wrap



No Food or Liquid (empty all containers)



No Clothing or Linens (use pink bag)



No Tanglers (no hoses, wires, chains, or electronics)

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What Can I Put in My Bin?

YAY!

Food Waste

- COFFEE GROUNDS & FILTERS
- BPI, CMA, OK Compost CERTIFIED COFFEE PODS*
- NONSYNTHETIC TEA BAGS (okay to incl. staple)
- EGGS & EGGSHELLS
- MEAT & SEAFOOD (incl. bones, shells, & raw)
- LOBSTER SHELLS (makes the compost rich)
- FRUITS & VEGGIES (incl. stems, skins, pits, seeds, corn cobs, fruit from trees) (stickers removed)
- DAIRY (cheese, yogurt, etc.)
- PASTA, GRAINS & BREAD
- COOKIES, CAKE & CANDY
- NUT & COCONUT SHELLS
- COOKING OIL & GREASE (Liquids go in a non glass container on top of the bin to be poured out. If it solidifies in the container, we cannot take it. Solidified oil/fat goes in a liner and put in the bin.)

Household Items

- WOOD (toothpicks, popsicle sticks, chopsticks, sawdust, small wood fruit containers)
- NATURAL WOOD ASH (no Kingsford, Matchlight or similar charcoal, nor synthetic logs) (tie off bag)
- COTTON BALLS (no bodily fluids)
- WINE CORKS (cork, not plastic!)
- PET FOOD
- PET WASTE FROM RABBIT, CHICKEN, GUINEA PIG, HAMSTER & BIRD (incl. bedding) (no dog or cat)
- HAIR, FUR (human & animal)
- HOUSE PLANTS & FLOWERS
- LEAVES & GARDEN WASTE (with purch. of stickers, see next page) (no grass or sticks over 1" dia.)
- PUMPKIN (remove candle and decorations, one per pick up, place on top of bin)

Food Soiled Paper & Compostables

Clean paper and cardboard are better recycled. We take the following items that are food soiled, but not chemical or cleaner soiled.

- NAPKINS & PAPER TOWELS (incl. bleached) (used on food or w/ organic certified household cleaner)
- COMPOSTABLE TABLEWARE: CUPS, PLATES, UTENSILS, ETC. (MUST be certified compostable*)
- TISSUES (no bodily fluids incl. nasal mucus)
- NEWSPAPER for wrapping food (recycle otherwise)

NAY!

Packaging

- ABSOLUTELY NO PLASTIC: cups, containers, candy wrappers, chip bags, shopping bags, garbage bags, produce bags, plastic wrap, cellophane etc.
- ABSOLUTELY NO CARTONS: milk, juice, ice cream, shelf-stable cream, broth & soup containers (they have hidden plastic & foil components)
- NO PRODUCE STICKERS, RUBBER BANDS & TIES
- NO MEAL BOX INSULATION
- NO BIODEGRADABLE PACKING PEANUTS
- NO TAKE OUT CONTAINERS & CUPS (most are not compostable, check if certified compostable*)

Household Items

- NO BODILY FLUID (blood, mucus, snot)
- NO USED COMPOSTABLE DIAPERS (sorry!)
- NO DOG or CAT WASTE (incl. cat litter)
- NO DEAD ANIMALS
- NO GRASS CLIPPINGS (subscribe to an approved organic yard care partner and we can take it!)
- NO LAUNDRY LINT & DRYER SHEETS
- NO TEXTILES (recycling is available with sticker)
- NO DENTAL FLOSS, Q-TIPS, SANITARY PRODUCTS
- NO CHRISTMAS TREES or WREATHS

Paper & Cardboard

- NO PIZZA BOXES (recycle unless stamped BPI cert.)
- NO SHREDDED PAPER
- NO MAIL, ENVELOPES, SHINY PAPER, MAGAZINES, CEREAL BOXES (due to colored ink & plastics)
- NO PLASTIC or WAXED CARDBOARD
- NO WAX or PARCHMENT PAPER (unless certified*)
- NO CHEMICALLY-SOILED PAPER (baby & disinfectant wipes, paper used w/ chemical cleaners, house paint, machine oil, etc.)

*Compostable products must be BPI, CMA, or OK Compost certified. Items that say biodegradable, compostable or ASTM-6400 alone are NOT accepted. Look for these logos, check the search tool on each website, or contact the product company if unsure.

