

Curbside Recycling Guide

DO RECYCLE

PAPER

- Cardboard
- Cereal & Food Boxes (remove any bags)
- Egg Cartons
- Gift Boxes
- Magazine
- Mail & Catalogs
- Newspapers & Inserts
- Office Paper & Envelopes
- Paper Bags
- Phone Books
- Paperback Books
- Wrapping Paper (non foil type)

PLASTIC

- Rigid Plastic Containers with the Recycle Symbol Only
- Water & Soda Bottles
- Milk & Juice Jugs (Plastic)
- Clean Tubs Such As Yogurt, Cottage Cheese, Butter, Frosting or Dip
- Clean & Empty Plastic Bottles Such As Shampoo, Detergent, Dish Soap and Condiments

METAL

- Aluminum Cans
- Aerosol Cans (empty)
- Aluminum Foil (clean)

GLASS

- All Glass Bottles & Jars

DO NOT RECYCLE

*Items in **BOLD** are the most common contaminants.*

- Batteries (non-rechargeable batteries go in the trash)
- Bubble-wrap
- **Candy & Granola Bar Wrappers**
- Ceramics (mugs or plates)
- **Clothes & Shoes**
- Diapers
- Electronics
- Food
- Knives
- Leaves or Grass Clippings
- Light Bulbs
- Milk & Juice Cartons/Boxes
- Mixed Material Items (combined metal, plastic, etc.)
- Needles & Sharps
- **Paper Napkins & Towels**
- **Paper Cups & Plates**
- **Plastic Bags (grocery/shopping bags, bread bags, sandwich bags, trash bags)**
- Plastic Straws
- Plastic Utensils
- **Plastic Wrap, Filmy Plastic & Shrink Wrap**
- **Potato Chip Bags**
- Receipts
- **Styrofoam or Polystyrene Foam (even if marked with a recycle symbol and #6)**
- Packing Peanuts
- **Trash**
- Unmarked Plastics (No Recycle Symbol)
- Vinyl (siding or shower curtains)
- Wood (lumber or yard waste)



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DO NOT BAG YOUR RECYCLABLES. Recyclables in bags are treated as trash and contaminate an entire load of recycling. All recyclables should be placed in your recycle bin loose.

If you are unsure whether or not an item can be recycled, call Public Services at 591-8135 or email us at recycling@westbrook.me.us for guidance or place the item in your trash.