

Recycling Guide

What's **IN**?

What's **OUT**?



PAPER

Cardboard & boxboard
Food & beverage cartons
Junk mail
Magazines & newspaper inserts
Newsprint
Office paper
Pizza boxes

Gift wrap & gift bags
Ice cream containers
Paper cups (hot & cold)
Shredded paper *
Take-out food containers
Tissue paper

Connecticut now has a universal list of what belongs in your recycling bin and what doesn't. All items should be **empty, rinsed, clean and open**. Do **not** shred, box, bag or bundle material.

Be **IN** the know.

It's important to understand why some items are **OUT**!

Visit www.hrra.org for more information.

Use the recycling search tool on the HRRRA home page for items not listed.

Learn more about where you can recycle clean dry plastic bags, shredded paper and other items such as electronic waste, mattresses, paint and thermostats. Yes they all can be recycled (**not** in your curb side bin!) but know where and how by visiting www.hrra.org site.

Sign-up for a free composting class or see if your town offers a food scrap drop-off.

See when the next Household Hazardous Waste Event will be held.

Discover the best practices for the disposal of medical waste, construction and demolition debris, bulky furniture, white goods, textiles and more.

GLASS

Beverage bottles & jars
Food bottles & jars

Ceramic mugs & plates
Drinking glasses

METAL

Aerosol containers (food grade only)
Aluminum foil
Cans & bottles
Foil containers
Metal lids from cans & bottles

Aerosol containers (deodorizers, cleaners, pesticides, etc.)
Foil tops from yogurt containers
Paint cans
Pots & Pans
Small pieces of scrap metal
Spiral wound containers

PLASTIC

Plastic bottles (with or without caps attached)
Plastic containers, tubs & lids
Plastic one-use cups (no lids, no straws)

Loose bottle caps
Plastic bags & wrap *
Plastic plates, bowls & utensils
Prescription bottles
Single-use coffee containers
Styrofoam cups, containers & packaging peanuts
Water filters

* Check your local recycling center for a separate container for shredded paper and plastic bags. These items are recycled separately ONLY at a recycling center. They do **not** go in your curbside bin.

The Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority is a regional, governmental, waste management and recycling authority serving 11 municipalities in Western Connecticut including Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Danbury, Kent, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield and Sherman.

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