

# What goes in my recycling bin?



Below is the current list of recyclable items for the City of Cincinnati's recycling program. Please call 591-6000 with any questions or visit [www.cincinnati-oh.gov](http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov).

## Acceptable items include:

- ✓ **NOW ACCEPTING** all plastic bottles and jugs (no lids)
- ✓ Glass jars and bottles of any color
- ✓ Aluminum, steel and bi-metal cans
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans with lids and tips removed
- ✓ Brown grocery bags
- ✓ Computer paper, and other mixed office paper
- ✓ Corrugated cardboard, broken down to 3'x3'
- ✓ Envelopes, with or without windows
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Magazines
- ✓ Newspapers with inserts
- ✓ Paperboard, such as cereal boxes
- ✓ Telephone books
- ✓ **NOW ACCEPTING** pizza boxes (free of food residue)

## Unacceptable items:

- ✗ Plastics that are not bottles or jugs, such as whipped topping containers, butter tubs, yogurt cups or food trays
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Motor oil jugs or other chemical containers
- ✗ Styrofoam
- ✗ Lids/caps
- ✗ Window or drinking glass
- ✗ Light bulbs
- ✗ Coat hangers or steel scrap
- ✗ Paint cans

## Recycling guidelines:

- Please rinse all bottles and jars and remove the lids. There is not need to remove labels, since they disintegrate in the recycling process.
- Flatten all cans and plastic bottles to conserve space. Please break down cardboard to 3'x3' sections and flatten all boxes.
- Place all recyclables together in your bin. Thanks to Rumpke's single stream processing method, all recyclables are mechanically and manually sorted at the processing facility.
- Set your recycling bin out the night before your regular trash collection day.
- Extra materials can be placed in a brown grocery bag or similar size plastic container. Please label it for recycling and set it on top of or next to your Rumpke bin. No trash cans should be used for recycling.
- We strive to accept as many items as possible. We cannot collect certain items because of contamination issues or lack of market availability.
- For electronics or household hazardous material recycling, please contact the Hamilton County Department of Environmental Services at (513) 946-7734.

