What CAN go in your blue bins



Paper and Cardboard:

Please ensure paper and cardboard material is dry and clean of food and grease. Boxes don't need to be flattened but can be if you need space in your bin. Avoid stacking things inside each other if possible and place them loosely in your bin.



Beverage Containers:

Beverage containers are accepted at bottle depots for a refund. However, beverage containers (other than glass) can be accepted in your blue cart if needed.



Hard Plastics:

Food containers, jugs, and bottles labelled with recycling symbols 1-7 are accepted. Please rinse them of any residue before putting them in your blue cart. Lids and labels can stay on.



Metal Cans and Foil:

Food cans and foil products can be recycled if they are cleaned of food and grease. Aluminum drink cans can be returned to the bottle depot for a refund.



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> Paper Drink Cups:

Paper drink cups often have a wax or plastic coating on the inside that make the cups non-recyclable.

Yard Waste:

Please place yard waste material in your green cart for pick-up or transport it to the nearest yard waste site.

> Shredded Paper:

Shredded paper is hard to sort when mixed loosely with other materials. To recycle shredded paper, place it in a clear bag and take it to the nearest recycling station.

> Styrofoam:

Styrofoam is not recyclable at this time, even if it has a recycle symbol.

> Construction Materials or Hazardous Waste:

These materials should be disposed of at the nearest waste and recycling site.

Glass:

Glass needs to be collected separately for several reasons: possible equipment damage, staff safety, and contamination of other materials. Glass can be reused when possible or taken to recycling stations.

Houseware:

Some items may be taken to the nearest recycling centre. Check out the Waste Wizard tool to see what can be accepted.

Mixed Packaging:

Items made from more than one type of material should not be put in your blue cart.

Plastic Bags, Film, String, and Rope:

These materials can get tangled in the sorting equipment and cause damage to the machinery. Plastic bags can be taken to recycling stations and are accepted at some retailers.

