

Single Stream Recycling!

The new program is called “single-stream” recycling. It’s the future for responsible resource conservation and an important step toward meeting the Roaring Fork Valley’s recycling goals. Single-stream recycling makes it almost as easy to use the recycling bin, as it is to use the trash can. So for the previously unconverted, there’s no excuse for not recycling.

Container Placement at Curbside



Single Stream Recycling Guide

(all recycling goes in one bin)

Paper Junk mail Newspaper White paper Phone books Brown paper bags Pastel colored paper Magazines, catalogs, books File folders, index cards, envelopes	Paperboard Cereal and pasta boxes Wax-lined cartons (e.g. milk/ice cream)
Plastic Plastic bottles (#1 - #7) Butter and yogurt tubs	Glass & Aluminum Tin Food jars Steel cans Aluminum Glass bottles
Cardboard Pizza boxes Corrugated Boxes	
DO NOT INCLUDE:	



Items That are NOT Acceptable

NO PLASTIC BAGS Please, please, please, DO NOT PLACE YOUR RECYCLABLES INTO PLASTIC BAGS for collection. The plastic bags cause damage to the sorting equipment at the MRF and can contaminate the load, and an entire batch of recycling can end up in the landfill.

Plastic bags can be recycled at many retail locations such as WalMart, supermarkets, or Ace Hardware.

NO STYROFOAM • NO WINDOW GLASS

NO CERAMICS • NO DISHES • NO MIRRORS

NO PYREX DISHWARE • NO TRASH



SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING RECICLAJE DE UN SOLO FLUJO



Flattened/Aplanado

Put recycling loose in your recycling cart.
Ponga el reciclaje suelto en su carrito de reciclaje.

KEEP OUT/EXCLUIR



Do not put bags in your recycling cart.
No pone bolsas en su carrito de reciclaje.



ITEMS MUST BE EMPTY, CLEAN & DRY
LOS ARTICULOS DEBEN ESTAR VACIOS, LIMPIOS Y SECOS



RECYCLE RIGHT

What is recycling contamination? It is misplaced items that threaten the efficacy, efficiency and safety of the entire recycling system. As little as 10% of non-recyclable items in a load of recyclables can cause the entire load to be landfilled!

What is wish-cycling? When well-intentioned individuals put items that can't be recycled in with items that can be recycled, in hopes that they will be recycled somehow. Wish-cycling actually contaminates loads of recycling, which causes everything to be landfilled, the opposite of what the wish-cycler intended!

Wish-cycling increases recycling costs, lowers the value of recyclable materials and creates safety hazards

Recycle Right! By not including the items below which are contaminants, you are ensuring the entire load of recycling actually gets recycled, instead of taking a long carbon intensive route to the landfill. **When in doubt, throw it out!**



These Items Damage Sorting Equipment

- ✗ Plastic Bags
- ✗ Plastic Film & Soft Plastic Packing Materials
- ✗ Shredded Paper
- ✗ Wire & Cables
- ✗ Scrap Metal
- ✗ Hoses

These Items Create Safety Hazards

- ✗ Needles
- ✗ Propane tanks
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Aerosol Cans w/ Product
- ✗ Medicines
- ✗ Food & Liquids
- ✗ Electronic Waste

These Items Have No Local Recycling Markets

- ✗ Paper Plates
- ✗ Candy Wrappers & Chip Bags
- ✗ Styrofoam
- ✗ Coffee Cups
- ✗ Plastic cutlery
- ✗ Frozen Food Boxes & Containers
- ✗ Clamshell Containers (Berry & To-Go containers)