

Sort your recycling for Dual Stream Recycling:

- **Plastic, Metal and Glass (containers)***
- **Paper and Cardboard**

Please rinse containers. Flatten non-glass containers; try not to break glass. They cannot sort the glass if it's broken.

Great way to remember what's recyclable in bottles and cans: *food, drink and soap* products. Our attendants love to answer questions!

Everything that gets recycled in the bottles and cans may be used to produce new containers for the food products *you* eat. Therefore, any containers that contained poisons and such should not be recycled. Read on for specifics.

A few tips for recycling tricky items:

Paper cartons for **juice, soup** and **milk and juice boxes** get mixed in with bottles and bottles/cans, not with paper. Interested in knowing why this is important, click her <http://tinyurl.com/RRRN-2015> or pick up a free copy at the transfer station.

No: Plastic bags! No: Black plastics the plastics are sorted on a black conveyor belt by a machine and it cannot see the difference between a black container and the belt (there is no market for black plastic in this area).

No Styrofoam.

No #6/polystyrene (made from part plastic/part Styrofoam) - usual suspects: solo cups and take-out cups.

No plastic egg crates, coat hangers, ceramics, plate glass, plastic ware, flat ware, scrap metal, hazardous waste (i.e.. motor oil), light bulbs, or remove corks.

No: tissue paper, six pack containers, animal food bags, soiled pizza boxes, textured cardboard (like egg crates), thick cardboard tubing, juice and drink boxes, waxed or foiled Christmas wrapping paper or ribbons.

Yes: We can now recycle empty Aerosol Cans-food, laundry, health and first aid, and beauty products. Must be empty. Do not puncture. **Cans that contained paint, lubricants, poisons, and other hazardous waste cannot be recycled!**

Yes: We can now recycle **plastic clam-shell containers**, like blueberry boxes, because they hand sort this at the Springfield MRF.

Yes: we can now recycle bottle caps. Plastic caps are must be attached to the container, so they do not get lost as litter.

*For Deposit Containers / Refundables - can be left at the "Rattlesnake Gutter" shed. Monies recovered will be set aside for purchase of land for conservation. If you want to be a superstar, remove tabs first and bring in separately. This saves volunteer's so much time!

Thank you for your commitment to the 5R's; *reduce, refuse, reuse, repurpose then recycle!*

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Even if you already compost at home you can use our compost program too! We use commercial composting system so you can compost more than at home like, foods soiled paper and cardboard like pizza boxes and takeout containers, meat scraps, and much more. Read specifics: Handouts available at town hall and transfer station.