

RECYCLING FAQ

WHAT GOES IN MY BLUE BOX? WHAT GOES TO THE DEPOT?

What is changing?

Starting May 19, 2014, a broader range of materials will be accepted in the curbside blue box for recycling. Here's a complete list:



RECYCLE AT THE CURB:

Please recycle at the curb:	Do NOT include:	Remember to:
PAPER ITEMS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Newspapers, inserts, flyers, catalogues, magazines, telephone books ✓ Household paper, paper gift wrap, greeting cards ✓ Corrugated cardboard ✓ Boxboard boxes ✓ Moulded boxboard, eg. egg cartons, beverage carry-out trays ✓ Paper bags with single and multiple paper layers, eg. pet food bags ✓ Shredded paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Hardcover or paperback books; non-paper gift wrap, eg. foil, ribbons or bows; musical greeting cards with batteries; padded envelopes; boxes with wax coatings, eg., shipping boxes for groceries; foil lined bags, eg., for cookies and some pet food; paper towel, napkins or tissues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Place newspapers, inserts and flyers loose in box, not inside plastic or paper bags ● Flatten large corrugated boxes and tie in bundles no larger than 8" thick (20 cm) X 30" wide (78 cm) X 30" tall (78 cm); staples and tape accepted; place beside boxes/inside cart ● Empty boxboard boxes of leftover food and plastic/paper liners; flatten boxes and place directly into the collection container, not inside a cardboard box ● Remove plastic wrap from cardboard flats ● Place shredded paper in a firmly-tied clear plastic bag (not opaque, coloured or black)
CONTAINER ITEMS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Paper hot and cold beverage cups, milk cartons, aseptic boxes and cartons, eg., soups, sauces; frozen dessert boxes, eg. ice cream ✓ Microwavable bowls and cups ✓ Metal cans and lids ✓ Aerosol cans (non-toxic) and caps ✓ Spiral wound paper cans and lids ✓ Aluminum foil wrap, aluminum take-out and baking containers ✓ Plastic bottles, jugs and jars with caps and lids ✓ Plastic clamshells, eg., for baked goods, fruit, eggs; trays and tops; tubs and lids ✓ Plastic cold drink cups and lids ✓ Plastic garden plant pots and seedling trays ✓ Plastic pails, eg., for laundry detergent, ice cream, must be less than 25L 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Polystyrene drink cups (these must go to depots) ✗ Straws, non-paper insulating wraps ✗ Foil-lined cardboard lids from take-out containers ✗ Propane tanks or cylinders; steel or plastic paint cans; bottles for motor oil, vehicle lubricants or wax products; pails for lubricants and oils; aerosol cans with remaining contents or that contained paint, waxes, polishes, lubricating oils, solvents, insulating foam, pesticides, or hazardous waste marked with hazardous materials symbols such as for corrosives, poisons or flammable products (For information about how to dispose of the above materials, call the RCBC Hotline 1-800-667-4321 or check online www.rcbc.ca/recyclepedia) ✗ Coat hangers; pots, pans or baking trays; metal or plastic toys; appliances; hardware or other scrap metal; wiring, metal cords or extension cords ✗ Chip or foil bags; foil wrap with paper, eg., butter, cigarettes; stand-up pouches; liquid absorbing pads; kitchen plastic wrap or stretch wrap for meat, poultry, fish or cheese; blister packs, eg., sleeves for chewing gum and pills; packaging labelled as biodegradable; ceramic pots; lawn edging, tarps, plastic furniture, garden hoses; string or rope ✗ Pails larger than 25L 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Empty and rinse containers ● Put metal lids inside cans and squeeze slightly ● Recycle all caps and lids, eg. for beverage cups, bottles, jars, tubs and aerosol cans; place caps loose in (box/cart) ● Take deposit beverage containers to Return-It Depot for refund



TAKE TO THE RECYCLING DEPOT:

- Comox Strathcona Waste Management Centre – Argonaut Road
- Island Return-It Centre - 1580 Willow Street



RECYCLE AT DROP-OFF DEPOTS ONLY	Do NOT include:	REMEMBER TO
<p>✓ PLASTIC BAGS and overwrap, eg., clear or opaque plastic bags for groceries, dry cleaning, bread, newspapers and flyers; clear bags for produce and dry bulk foods; frozen vegetable bags; pre-washed salad bags; outer bags for diaper and feminine hygiene products; outer wrap for paper towels, tissues and other bulk paper products and soft drink can flats; water softener, salt, wood pellet and garden product bags; overwrap on mattresses, furniture and electronic equipment</p>	<p>✗ NO: Crinkly cellophane wrap, eg. for tea, floral arrangements; kitchen plastic wrap or stretch wrap for meat, poultry, fish or cheese; zipper-lock bags; potato chip or snack bags; plastic shipping envelopes; plastic bags labelled biodegradable; multi-layer or laminated plastic packaging, eg. for bacon, deli meats, cheese slices etc.; plastic bubble packaging; lumber or construction wrap</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty bags of paper receipts and food residue • Cut off or remove metal grommets, rope drawstrings and non-plastics items from plastic bags • Stuff all plastic bags into one bag and tie handles firmly
<p>✓ PLASTIC FOAM containers, trays for food and cushion packaging used to protect electronics, small appliances, etc.</p>	<p>✗ Packing chips or peanuts or foam noodles</p> <p>✗ Blue or pink foam board insulation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove labels, tape, paper and cardboard from foam cushion packaging • Separate colour and white plastic foam
<p>✓ GLASS: Clear and coloured non-deposit glass bottles and jars</p>	<p>✗ Drinking glasses; dishes; cookware; whole or broken window glass or mirrors; ceramic products</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty and rinse containers • Recycle lids; remove from containers and deliver to depots loose • Take deposit beverage containers to Return-It Depot for refund

Note: An unlimited number of blue boxes may be placed at the curbside for weekly collection, as long as each container is no more than 68 Litres or 20 kg.

Questions? Comments? Concerns?

For more information on recycling in Campbell River visit: www.campbellriver.ca

For the most up-to-date list of depot locations in the region visit: www.cswm.ca

For more information on Multi-Material BC visit: www.multimaterialbc.ca

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