

THE DIRTY DOZEN OF RECYCLING

12 items you should NEVER place in your recycle bin

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No Plastic Bags & Wrappers



Plastic bags, plastic wrappers and flexible plastic packaging are too thin to be recycled.

No Clothes & Shoes



Clothing items can be taken to a dedicated reuse collection location.

No Construction Waste



Wood, sheetrock and other home construction items should be disposed of in your trash.

No Electronics & Batteries



Electronics, batteries and light bulbs require special handling.

No Yard Waste



Yard waste must be disposed of with your trash or composted where programs are offered.

No Diapers



Clean or dirty diapers cannot be recycled.

No Soiled Paper



Soiled or wet items are not recyclable and should be disposed of with your trash.

No Styrofoam



Styrofoam can be great for reuse but not for recycling.

No Tools



Tools and other hardware items are to be disposed of or given away for reuse.

No Toys



Donate toys to your local collection location or dispose of them in your trash.

No Food Waste



Food scraps must be disposed of with your trash, or composted where composting programs are offered.

No Medical



Needles and other medical items must be disposed in proper medical waste containers.