

# ANCHORAGE RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING GUIDE

MATERIAL	Curbside Programs	Anchorage Recycling Center	Landfill Recycling Area	Carrs parking lots	Schnitzer Steel	Total Reclaim	Other Locations
<b>RECYCLABLES</b>							
Plastic Bottles	●	●	●				
Plastic Jugs	●	●	●				
Plastic Bags and Film		●					Carrs / Fred Meyer / Lowe's / Target / Walmart store entryways (grocery bags only)
Office Paper / Mixed Paper	●	●	●				
Cardboard	●	●	●				<b>Downtown:</b> 239 W. 4th (C St. between 3rd & 4th) <b>South Anchorage:</b> 7801 Schoon St. (off King St.)
Newspaper	●	●	●	●			Anchorage Daily News (1001 Northway Dr.)
Telephone Books	●	As mixed paper	As mixed paper	Apr. 15- July 31			
Aluminum Cans	●	●	●	●	●	●	Hilltop Recycling (16849 Old Glenn Hwy., Chugiak) (non-ferrous* only) Mobile Metals (non-ferrous* only)
Steel Cans	●	●			●		
Scrap metals <i>(fees apply in some cases)</i>		During business hours			●	● non-ferrous* only	Anchorage Regional Landfill and Central Transfer Station (appliances only) Hilltop Recycling (16849 Old Glenn Hwy., Chugiak) (non-ferrous* only) Mobile Metals (non-ferrous* only)
Electronics <i>(fees apply in most cases)</i>						●	Anchorage Regional Landfill Hazardous Waste Collection Center (for businesses only) Best Buy (all locations) Tri Digital Computer Services 17034 Eagle River Loop Road, Eagle River
Fluorescent Lamps/CFLs						●	Home Depot (all locations)

*\*Non-ferrous metals are metals that don't stick to a magnet, including aluminum, brass, and copper.*

	EverGreen Nursery	Anchorage Woodlot	Eagle River Woodlot	Girdwood Woodlot	Country Garden Farms	What's accepted	What to leave out
<b>ORGANICS</b>							
Grass	●				●	Grass clippings from lawn mowing	Any trash or other recyclables.
Leaves	●				●	Leaves from lawn raking	Any trash or other recyclables.
Brush / Branches	●	●	●	●		Clean branches and brush cut to manageable lengths	Eagle River and Girdwood Woodlots accept only brush and woody debris from the clearing of defensible space from wildfire only. No lot clearing. Anchorage Woodlot accepts lot clearing and commercially generated material.
Logs	●	●	●	●		Logs up to 6 feet long	8" diameter restriction for Girdwood Woodlot.
Tree Stumps	●	●				Stumps and roots	Excess soil/dirt and rocks should be removed.
Horse Manure	●				●	Horse manure and bedding materials such as straw or sawdust	Pet wastes (dog, cat, etc.)

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#1 PET bottles with neck and screw top (beverage bottles), caps	Other numbered plastics, plastic produce and take-out containers
#2 HDPE jugs with neck and screw top (milk and detergent jugs), caps	Other numbered plastics, cups, tubs, oil/chemical containers
Stretchy plastic film, like grocery bags, drycleaner bags, bubble wrap, stretch wrap, shrink wrap	Food-contaminated bags, bags with paper labels affixed, crinkly film like cereal box liners and snack bags
White/colored paper, glossy paper, junk mail, window envelopes, paperboard (cereal boxes, paper towel rolls), gift wrap, paper egg cartons. Staples and paper clips okay	Milk cartons, juice boxes, hardcover books (unless binding and cover are removed), binder clips, plastic or metal bindings
Corrugated boxes Clean pizza boxes Brown paper grocery bags	Waxed corrugated Fish boxes Non-corrugated paper Cereal Boxes Soiled, wet cardboard
Newspaper and its inserts	Plastic bags, other paper
Telephone directories	Other paper, plastic bags
Aluminum beverage cans, rinsed (don't stick to magnets)	Scrap metal, steel, aluminum foil, aluminum pet food cans
Steel food and beverage cans, rinsed (DO stick to magnets)	Scrap metal, aluminum
Aluminum cans, aluminum scrap, brass, copper, stainless steel, radiators, lead, tin, cables. Appliances and vehicles at some locations. Call for details	Refrigerants, asbestos, oils, gasoline, petroleum products, antifreeze, lead-acid batteries, PCBs, automobile airbags, paint cans or other paint containers, acetylene bottles, fluorescent lamps, neon, high intensity or mercury vapor lights, circuit boards, hazardous or toxic substances, military scrap, explosives or explosive residues, radioactive materials, tires, wood, dirt, yard debris, concrete, asphalt, glass, rubber or other non-metallic materials
Televisions, computer monitors, computers, laptops, keyboards, mice, modems, external drives, scanners, printers, copiers, cables, other computer peripherals, VCRs, DVD players, stereos, radios, phones, fax machines, camcorders, electric typewriters, microwave ovens, telephones, cell phones and most media (floppies, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes)	Smoke detectors, vacuum cleaners, EXIT signs, lighting ballasts
Whole long tubular fluorescent lamps, round tubular lamps, small screw-in or pop-in compact fluorescent lamps of all styles	Ballasts, broken lamps, incandescent light bulbs, LED lamps

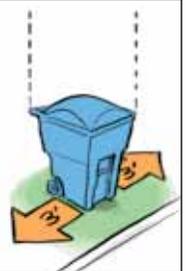


## Flatten Your Cardboard

Whether you're recycling curbside or at a drop-off location, flatten your cardboard so it fits! Unflattened cardboard increases the labor costs of recycling by increasing the number of times bins need to be hauled.

## Curbside Tips

Observe all rules of your curbside program. Leave at least three feet of space around and between your carts so the automated trucks have enough room to pick them up. Close the lid completely on your cart, and be sure the handle is facing your house. Check for obstacles like snow banks, mailboxes, trees, cars, and telephone poles when setting out your carts. Items left outside the cart are only collected if you have called in a request prior to your collection day.



## Bottle Caps and Lids Are Okay



You can now leave plastic caps and lids on your #1 and #2 plastic bottles and jugs. Or put them in your recycling bin separately. Just be sure the bottle is empty.



## Left Items Are Litter

Items left outside of the designated bins at any recycling location are considered litter and will be discarded as trash. If the bin is full, please don't leave your items near the bin as it will not be recycled. Excessive littering around bins jeopardizes the future of the recycling program.

## If In Doubt, Leave It Out



Read all signage on recycling bins and follow instructions. If an item is not on the list of acceptable items, don't put it in the bin.