

## DAY-TO-DAY RECYCLING in the Evergreen Area



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### RECYCLING MADE EAS+Y

Confused about what can be recycled? Use this guide to keep recycling streams clean and make your recycling efforts count!

Options for recycling in Evergreen include curbside recycling service by your trash hauler or a drop-off recycling center operated by EDS Waste Solutions behind King Soopers in Evergreen. Curbside recycling is single stream; material accepted at the EDS station must be sorted, is somewhat more limited, and there is a fee.

Recycling guidelines change with market conditions and industry advances. The following information includes items generally accepted by area haulers. It is best to check specific instructions provided by your hauler if you have questions.

**ALL CONTAINERS SHOULD BE EMPTY AND WELL-RINSED. DO NOT INCLUDE ANY FOOD WASTE OR FOOD-SOILED CONTAINERS IN YOUR RECYCLING BIN.**

## RECYCLE ITEMS

Paper/ Cardboard	Glass	Metal	Plastic (chasing arrows logo)
Newsprint, magazines, junk mail	Bottles and jars without lids, all colors.  <b>NO</b> mirrors, window glass, light bulbs, ceramics, porcelain, or glass cookware.	Aluminum and tin cans	Bottles, tubs, jugs, jars with a #1 through #7 inside the chasing arrows logo. INSERT
Office paper		Aluminum pie tins and foil if clean	<b>No</b> plastic clamshell containers
Phone books		Aerosol cans if empty	<b>No</b> #7 items marked PLA
Cardboard			<b>No</b> unnumbered plastic
Paper bags			<b>No</b> plastic bags or wrap
Cereal boxes			<b>No</b> Styrofoam
<b>NO</b> frozen food boxes or to-go cups			
<b>NO</b> shredded paper			

### IF IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

It is better to put objects you're not sure about into the trash than to have a whole load of recyclables sent to the landfill because of contamination.

### HARD-TO-RECYCLE ITEMS

Many items that can't be recycled in your curbside container, such as batteries, styrofoam, and electronics, can be recycled elsewhere. The **EAS+Y Guide to Hard-to-Recycle Stuff** was developed for you to easily find places that accept an array of commonly hard-to-recycle items. Check the guide out at <http://easy4you.org/easy-guide-to-hard-to-recycle-stuff/>.

The Rotary Club of Evergreen sponsors a hard-to-recycle event annually, usually in the fall. Check local listings or contact the Rotary.

### ANSWERS TO SOME COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why no plastic bags separately or to contain your recyclables? They bind up sorting equipment and have to be manually removed.

Why no shredded paper? It clogs up sorting machinery, which shuts down the recycling operation. It is best to have large quantities of paper shredded by a company that specializes in it.

What "paper" is recyclable? If it's paper you can tear it and it's recyclable! If it has a plastic coating such as frozen food boxes or is non-tearable such as Tyvek envelopes, it goes in the trash.