# **Business Recycling Guidelines**

All-in-One Business Recycling Guidelines Please empty clean recyclables out of bags and boxes into your recycling container so that they can be easily sorted. If in doubt, throw it out!

# What is accepted?

All these materials can be placed in the same recycling container.





#### Paper (Staples in paper OK)





Metal

Paper Food Containers





Plastic Cups, Bottles, Jugs, Tubs ONLY



#### Electronic and Hazardous Waste

Fluorescent tubes and bulbs, electronics (computers, cell phones, TVs etc.), rechargeable batteries, and hazardous products (cleaners, solvents, etc.) **require separate disposal**. Safe disposal information: wmlamptracker.com ecyclewashington.org 1800recycle.wa.gov



## Clean Paper

Cardboard (flattened) Copy Paper Ream Wrappers File Folders Magazines Brochures Envelopes (windows, paper padding OK) Phone Books Paperbacks, Catalogs

### Paper Food Containers

Paper Cups Milk & Juice Cartons Frozen Food Boxes

#### **Clean Metal**

Aerosol Cans Aluminum & Tin Cans

### **Clean Plastic**

New! Plastic Cups Bottles, Jugs, Jars Dairy Tubs (Ignore recycling symbols. No lids or Styrofoam.) Plastic Film (Only in securely tied clear plastic bag)

# Materials Not Accepted



Glass Shredded paper Plastic bags or film Styrofoam Bubble wrap Laminated paper, Tyvek paper Plastic Take-out Containers, Trays Plastic Plates, Cutlery, Straws Lids, Caps Plastic Food Wrap Ceramic Dishes, Drinking Glasses Aluminum Foil, Foil Trays Greasy or Sharp Metal Scrap Metal

#### Reduce & Reuse; Then Recycle! (95% of an item's carbon footprint is

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- Use durable dishware and utensils. Install a dishwasher.
- Donate unwanted items.
- Reuse items like file folders and manila envelopes.
- Consolidate office supplies.
- Use print preview and double sided copies.
- Use on-site packing materials like shredded paper.
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Reuse bubble wrap and foam peanuts.
- Switch off computers, chargers and lights.





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