

Recycling in Walla Walla and Beyond!

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Recycle Coach App:

Customized reminders and alerts for:

- Regular collections
- Collection schedule changes
- Special and seasonal collections
- Waste related events



Junk Mail Opt-Out: <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0262-stopping-unsolicited-mail-phone-calls-and-email>

Additional Topics for Research:

China's National Sword Policy

Zero Waste

Why Does It Matter?



- Approximately 30% of all recyclables collected are exported outside the U.S.
- Hong Kong and China account for 69% of all U.S. exports for plastics other than No. 1 PET

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Recycling Codes 1-800-GOT-JUNK?

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Those teeny-tiny recycling symbols stamped on plastics, glass, paper, metals and other materials mean a whole lot more than you may think. The next time you see one of these symbols, use the following guide to ensure that the product is recycled or disposed of properly:

Plastics

The recycling codes for plastics are divided into seven categories. Generally, the higher the number, the more difficult it is for the material to be recycled.



Polyethylene terephthalate (PET): PETE is very common, easy to recycle, and is accepted by most municipal recycling programs. This type of plastic is commonly found in disposable food and drink containers including: water bottles, pop bottles, prepared/frozen food containers.



Low-density polyethylene (PE-LD): This type of plastic is soft and flexible, and can commonly be found in thin plastic bags. Slowly but surely, this type of plastic is being added as an acceptable item to recycle. Please check to make sure it's accepted locally.



High-density polyethylene (PE-HD): This type of plastic is non-transparent. It is also widely accepted in municipal recycling programs. HDPE is found in household cleaner bottles, shampoo bottles, yogurt containers, etc.



Polypropylene (PP): This type of plastic can be found in straws, soft-drink cups, and certain food containers. PP Plastic can be recycled, but to be safe please check to make sure it's accepted locally.



Polyvinyl chloride (PVC): PVC is more difficult to recycle than the first two plastics mentioned above. Want to know why? Unfortunately, PVC is known to contain phthalates, a suspected carcinogen. This type of plastic can be found within children's toys and a variety of bottles including detergent, shampoo, etc.



Polystyrene (PS): This type of plastic is also known as styrofoam, which is commonly used in takeout containers and disposable cups. Unfortunately, PS contains styrene which is a known carcinogen. It is not commonly accepted within recycling programs.



Other: Includes plastics not included in the previous six categories, including BPA, polycarbonate and bio-based plastics.



Glass



This recycling symbol indicates that a glass product can be recycled (but don't forget to wash it!). Most glass products can be recycled.



Mixed Glass



Clear Glass



Green Glass



Paper



This recycling symbol shows that the paper or cardboard has been made with at least 75% genuine waste paper, or board fiber, or a mix of both. Most paper products can be recycled.



Cardboard



Mixed Paper



Plain Paper

