

Detailed Curbside Recycling Accepted Materials List

**All items should be placed empty, clean, dry and loose in the recycling cart
Do NOT bag recyclables**

METAL

Empty, clean and dry aluminum, tin or steel containers such as drink cans, baking pans & food cans (lids removed)

NO tangles (e.g., wires, coat hangers, cables)

NO bulky metals (e.g., car parts, paint cans, propane tanks)

NO aerosol cans

NO hazardous waste containers

PAPER

Mixed paper, newspaper, office paper & magazines

Gift wrapping paper (non-metallic, no glitter, no foil overlay)

Paperback books, catalogs & phone books (**NO** plastic/plasticized covers)

Hard cover books (limit 10 per week, **NO** plastic/plasticized covers)

Empty, clean and dry paper bags

Junk mail & envelopes

Dry goods packaging (empty flour/sugar paper bags)

Paper towel cores/toilet paper cores

Food and grease-free parts of pizza boxes

*****Shredded paper is the only item that may be placed in a CLEAR plastic bag for recycling*****

NO food/beverage cartons (e.g., milk & juice cartons, broth cartons)

NO wet/dirty paper

NO facial tissue

NO paper towel

NO food-soiled pizza boxes

PLASTIC

Empty, clean and dry rigid plastics with screw top / neck

NO bulky plastics – nothing larger than a 5 gal bucket (e.g., large toys, car seats, lawn furniture, large storage bins, water cooler bottles)

NO hazardous waste containers

NO plastic flower/plant pots

NO plastic bags, wrap or film (e.g., bubble wrap, case overwrap, grocery bags)

NO foam aka "Styrofoam" (e.g., ice chests, packing peanuts, cups, plate lunch containers, etc.)

NO plastic coat hangers

NO plastic straws

NO tangles (e.g., strapping, ribbons, rope, garden hoses)

What if the item has a recycling symbol??? While the recycling number/symbol can alert you to the POSSIBILITY of being able to recycle an item in your community, the presence of a recycling number/symbol does not mean that it is accepted in the curbside bin. If an item has a number/ recycling symbol BUT it is bulky, easily tangled, foam, a plastic bag / wrap, or on the "Not Accepted List" – DO NOT put it in your curbside recycling bin.

Remember: Do not bag recyclables – leave them loose.

NOT ACCEPTED IN LAFAYETTE'S CURBSIDE RECYCLING:

No glass, ceramics or dishes

No plastic bags, wrap, or film

No yard waste

No foam, aka "Styrofoam"

No easily tangled items (no wire, hose, cords, rope, chains)

No food waste

No household trash

No aerosol cans

No light bulbs

No facial tissue / paper towel

No soiled pizza boxes

No food / beverage cartons

No bulky items

No clothing / textiles / shoes / accessories

No metal / plastic coat hangers

No furniture

No garden hoses

No lumber

No construction debris

No electronics, cell phones, or computers

No light bulbs

No batteries

No tires

No diapers – dirty or clean!!!

No crawfish shells – nor any seafood / swamp food shells of any sort

No dead animals

Contact the Recycling Office at recycling@lafayettela.gov / 337.291.5637 to answer your questions about what is currently accepted curbside.