

Put Waste in its Place

Recycling

- Rinse to remove food, liquid, product



Plastic bottles, jugs (lids on)



Milk, juice, soup cartons and boxes (flatten)



Plastic food jars, tubs, lids



Glass bottles, jars (lids on)



Aluminum trays, pie plates, roasting pans



Metal, cardboard food and beverage containers (place lid inside can and pinch closed)



Over-wrap and soft, stretchy plastic bags (loose or bundle bags in one bag)



Foam food and protective packaging



Clear plastic food containers, clear or coloured disposable plastic plates, cups, cutlery

Paper

Not contaminated with food or chemicals



Boxboard (flatten; remove liners, plastic windows and put in garbage)



Corrugated cardboard (flatten)



Fine paper



Newspapers, flyers, magazines



Books, telephone directories

Garbage

Please do not contaminate recycling or the Green Bin with these items; these belong in garbage.



Black plastic food containers, cutlery, lids



Plastic bubble wrap



Liner bags (cereal, cookies, crackers)



Laminated plastic film (stand-up pouches, snack food bags)



Cold drink cups, straws (recycle lids)



Hot drink cups (recycle non-black lids and sleeves)



Drink pouches, straws



Dryer and disposable mop sheets, baby wipes, make-up pads, cotton tipped swabs, dental floss



Plastic or foil wrappers, aluminum foil



Popsicle sticks, toothpicks, wood chips, pencil shavings



Gum packages, blister packs



Light bulbs (not CFLs), dishes, drinking glasses



Hair, pet hair, feathers, nail clippings, dryer lint



Candles and wax, cigarette butts and ashes

Green Bin

- Take food items out of plastic bags/wrap
- Do not use biodegradable bags



Bread, toast, cereal, baked goods, pizza



Fruit



Cake, cookies, pie, muffins, candies



Coffee grounds, filters, tea bags



Dairy products, eggs and shells



Pasta, couscous, potatoes, rice, oatmeal, flour, grains



Meat, fish, shellfish



Nuts, nutshells



Vegetables, corn cobs and husks, pumpkins, salads



House plants



Diapers, sanitary products, pet waste



Paper napkins, paper towels, facial tissues (not soiled with chemicals or make-up)



Tips

- This poster is a quick reference. Not everything that goes in recycling or garbage is listed here.
- Not sure where something goes? Check: Toronto Recycling Guide or WASTE WIZARD (toronto.ca/recycle) • Call 311.
- Our website translates information into different languages (toronto.ca/recycle).

Thanks for doing it right!

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