

How Can I "Recycle Right"?

Know What Can & Can Not Be Recycled in Mecklenburg County



What Can I Recycle In My Cart At Home (Curbside) ?

Mecklenburg County has a robust recycling program that ranks in the top 10 out of 100 Counties in N.C. for the successful recovery of recyclable materials per person. To keep our program a success, the City of Charlotte, and the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville encourage you to follow the disposal guidelines below.

What Can Go In My Curbside Recycling Container?

Aerosol Cans (empty)					
Aluminum Cans					
Cardboard (flattened)					
Cereal Boxes					
Glass Bottles & Jars					
Magazines & Phone Books					
Metal Cans					
Milk & Juice Cartons					
Paper, Junk Mail & Newspaper					
Pizza Boxes					
Plastic Bottles & Jugs (Leave the caps on)		<p>These items can also be taken to any County Recycling Center, as listed on page 8.</p>			
Spiral Paper Cans					

Not In Curbside Recycling*



Shredded Paper					
Paper Plates					
Plastic Food Trays & Cups					
Takeout Food Containers					
Styrofoam					
Other Non-Recyclable					
Household Garbage					
Napkins					
Plastic Cups & Plasticware					
Diapers					
Hoses					

* Some items listed above can be recycled at local retailers/grocery stores or other outlets.

Take Back to Retailers or Donate

- Auto Parts
- Cell Phones
- Clothing
- Plastic Shopping Bags/Film Plastic
- Pots & Pans
- Wire Hangers
- Ceramics
- Shredded Paper



Important Reminder!

Never put electronics or batteries in your curbside recycling containers. They can cause fires. Please dispose of these materials at one of our Full-Service Drop-off Centers.

What Is Accepted at Full-Service Drop-off Centers?

Anything you can recycle in your curbside container PLUS...

- Appliances
- Yard Trimmings
- Computer Equipment
- Electronics
- Household Hazardous Waste
- Light Bulbs (Fluorescent)
- Automobile Tires
- Used Motor & Cooking Oils
- Bicycle Tires



Locations of Full-Service Drop-off Centers listed on page 8.

*** NOTE: All of the items listed above require "Source Separation" and can not be recycled together. Separate bins are available at the Drop-off Centers.**



RECYCLE RIGHT

PUT ONLY THESE ITEMS IN YOUR ROLL-OUT BIN:



Aerosol Cans (empty)



Aluminum Cans



Cardboard
(flattened)



Cereal Boxes



Plastic Bottles & Jugs
(with necks only)



Magazines & Phone
Books



Metal Cans



Milk & Juice Cartons



Paper, Junk Mail &
Newspaper



Paperback Books



(EMPTY & CLEAN)

Pizza Boxes



Glass Bottles & Jars



At Home,
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