

What goes into the Recycling Cart?

Combine glass food & beverage jars, plastic containers, papers and all metal food and beverage containers in your *blue recycling cart.* Place curbside for pickup.

RECYCLE:

MIXED PAPER

Adhesive notes, brown paper grocery bags, catalogs and magazines, colored and white paper, cereal boxes (remove liners), cracker boxes, envelopes, gift boxes, junk mail, newspapers, paper towel rolls, phone books, paper egg cartons, wrapping paper.

GLASS

All glass food and beverage jars and bottles. Please rinse food and beverage containers and crush plastics.

METAL

All metal food and beverage containers, including those made of aluminum, tin, steel and bi-metal such as soda, pet food, soup and tuna cans, and discharged metal spray cans.

PLASTIC

All plastics with or without the recycling symbols (except plastic #6 - Styrofoam/ Polystyrene). Clear, opaque or colored containers, including milk and orange juice jugs, water bottles, detergent and shampoo containers.



NOT acceptable:

- Blueprint and carbon paper
- Ceramics, porcelain and dishware
- Clothes hangers and wire
- Facial tissue, napkins and paper towels
- Food-contaminated paper products and packaging
- Household and other hazardous waste
- Light bulbs, window glass
- Plastic toys, PVC and other plastic piping
- Polystyrene including egg cartons, packing peanuts and solid blocks
- Syringes and other medical or hazardous waste

Recycle grocery, produce, dry cleaning and bread bags by bundling together inside a clear plastic bag.

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IMPORTANT RESOURCES

City of Santa Clara Environmental Programs 408-615-3080 www.santaclaraca.gov

Household Hazardous Waste Hotline 408-299-7300 www.hhw.org

Countywide Recycling Information 800-533-8414 www.recyclestuff.org

County Recycling and Waste Reduction www.reducewaste.org

ENVIRONMENTAL DAY EVENT

Recology provides residents of Santa Clara twice a year annual Environmental Days, which is designed to promote recycling, reuse and diversion of usable materials from the landfill. Details of the *Environmental Days* are as follows:

MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

- Residential documents for confidential shredding (2 box limit)
- Electronic Waste (computers, monitors, printers, etc.)
- Universal Waste (batteries, cell phones, CFLs and fluorescent tubes)
- Clothing
- Children's plastic toys and play structures

Residents must provide a current utility bill and personal identification (i.e., Driver's License) to verify eligibility for this free drop-off program. 2015 DATES: Saturday, March 7th

Saturday, October 17th

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to **1:00** p.m.

LOCATION: 650 Martin Ave. Santa Clara, CA

OIL, FLUORESCENTS and BATTERIES

USED MOTOR OIL: Put used motor oil in one-gallon (or less) clear or see through plastic container such as a milk jug with a tight-fitting screw top lid. You may place up to three onegallon containers next to your recycling cart for pick up on your regular collection day.

USED OIL FILTERS: Put used oil filters (fully drained) in sealed, leak-proof plastic bags and place next to your recycling cart.

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS:

Put in clear ziploc-type plastic bags and place next to recycling cart.

BATTERIES: Call Mission Trails regarding battery collection (408) 727-5365.

GREENER OPTIONS

- Reduce the amount of paper waste at your home with a Junk Mail Kit. For more information, visit **www.stopjunkmail.org**
- Rather than using plastic grocery bags, bring your own canvas or reusable tote bags when you go shopping!
- Polystyrene 'packing peanuts' can be dropped off for reuse. Please find a convenient location at www.loosefillpackaging.com