

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Do we need to bag the recyclables before placing them in the bin?**


No, we specifically ask that customers DO NOT BAG or TIE their recyclables before depositing them into the bins. Having to de-bag the recyclables would require an extra expense.

The exception is plastic grocery bags and clean plastic film, and shredded paper. These items should be bagged and secured.

**How should I prepare my recyclables for collections?**

Flatten all cardboard boxes. Wash and rinse all beverage containers, food plastics and household tins before depositing in the recycle bin. Remove all lids and caps from all containers. Labels do not have to be removed.

**What plastics can be placed in the bin?**

All plastic bottles and containers must have the recycling arrow which is this symbol  with the any number from 1-7 in the middle. A container with no arrows or a container with arrows but without a number inside cannot be accepted. Clean plastic film and product wrap can go in bins. **NO STYROFOAM.**

**What happens to the materials?**

Once the single stream materials are collected by the truck, they are taken to REACT's Material Recovery Facility where they are baled and shipped to All Green Recycling in Saskatoon.

**Why is glass to be placed in a separate bin?**

Broken glass can be a hazard to the individuals who are responsible for pulling out all contaminants at the sorting belt. Also, glass in the single stream recycling down grades the product which can be rejected for shipment.

Following these instructions will assist us in making your community one of the greenest in Saskatchewan!!

For your safety, please do not go near collection containers when REACT trucks are emptying the bins.

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**YOU CAN NOW RECYCLE  
HOUSEHOLD PLASTICS!!**

**A NEW SINGLE STREAM  
RECYCLING PROGRAM HAS  
ARRIVED!**



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## ***YOUR NEW RECYCLE PROGRAM***

REACT Waste Management District is proud to offer its "no sort" recycling program. Our single stream or co-mingled program means no more sorting for you – simple and easy to understand. All approved recyclables, except for glass, can now be placed together in the large blue recycle bins. **Glass will still need to be placed separately in the small blue bins.** A current list of accepted recyclables, which now includes household plastics, is listed in this pamphlet. Additional commodities will be added in the future as sustainable markets become available. This program is available to all individuals living within the REACT District.

Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with your collection program. It is an easy and convenient way to demonstrate your commitment to recycling and protecting our environment. Your support and cooperation will assist us in diverting over 60% of household waste from the landfill.

### **ALLOWABLE PAPER FIBER MATERIALS**

#### **Do Not Bag or Tie**


- **Flatten** corrugated cardboard and paperboard( ie. empty cereal boxes, empty detergent boxes, empty tissue boxes)
- Newspapers, flyers, inserts, junk mail
- Magazines, catalogues, paperback books, hardcover books with cover and spine removed
- Telephone books
- Letter quality paper
- Brown paper bags, tissue roll cores, gift and packing paper without foil, paper egg cartons
- Envelops with or without windows
- Copier paper, computer printouts, NCR (no carbon required) paper
- Shredded paper **must** be bagged in clear plastic bags

**Sorry, we do not accept the following:** Waxed, plasticized or food contaminated paper

- Soiled tissues, napkins and paper towels
- Confetti shredded paper
- Heavily dyed or colored construction paper
- Styrofoam or other foam packing materials
- Household garbage, organics, hazardous or regulated waste
- Items other than those listed in the "Paper Fiber" section above


### **ALLOWABLE CONTAINERS**


#### **Cleaned & rinsed – Do Not Bag**


- Aluminum soft drink and beers cans
- Household tin cans (please rinse)
- Milk cartons and jugs (please rinse and remove caps)
- Place plastic grocery bags inside another bag and secure includes clean plastic food and product wrap
- Household plastic containers and bottles with this symbol  with the number 1-7 in the middle. A container with arrows without a number or a container without arrows cannot be accepted
- Please place glass in separate bin labeled for glass


**Sorry, we do not accept the following:**


- Contaminated plastic food or product wrap
- Hazardous chemical containers (ie. motor oil containers)
- Auto parts, batteries
- Propane tanks, gasoline, or any type of fuel container
- Wire or plastic clothes hangers
- Clear plastic clam shell containers without the arrows
- Potato chip bags lined with foil
- Plastic toys or Tupperware
- Plastic pipe
- Outdoor lawn furniture
- Vinyl siding
- Items other than those listed in container section


Please do not put recycling on the ground around the bins. You can help keep the cost of collecting, sorting and processing down by recycling only those types of plastic that can be accepted in this program. The item must have the recycling arrows  on it and a number inside ranging from 1-7. The following is a list of the accepted grades of plastics and their common household uses:


**Plastic #1:**  Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET, PETE): Common uses: soft drinks bottles, cooking oil bottles, peanut butter jars. This the most widely recycled grade of plastic. Remember to please rinse and remove all caps.


**Plastic #2:**  High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Common uses: milk jugs, detergent bottles, windshield washer jugs. Please remember to rinse and remove caps.

**Plastic #3:**  Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Common uses: hard plastic water bottles, salad dressing and liquid detergent containers. Please note that plastic pipes, outdoor furniture, vinyl siding and other items may be PVC but are not acceptable.

**Plastic #4:**  Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE) Common uses: food storage containers, dry cleaning bags, produce bags, trash can liners. Please place inside another bag and tie. No contaminated material allowed.

**Plastic #5:**  Polypropylene (PP) Common uses: container for yogurt, margarine and take out meals, ketchup bottles, syrup bottles. Please remember to rinse.

**Plastic #6:**  Polystyrene (PS) Common uses: clamshell takeout containers, yogurt containers, margarine containers. Please remember to rinse.

**Plastic #7:**  Other. It can be a mixture of above polymers. Common uses: 5 gallon water jugs, some citrus juice bottles, some condiment bottles. Please remember to rinse and remove caps.