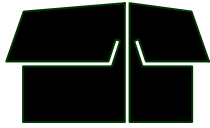

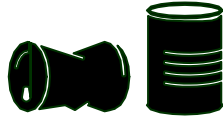



# Curbside Recycling: The “Big Four”

Curbside recycling in Lancaster County is single-stream recycling. Single-stream recycling means that all recyclable materials go in the same container, and is later sorted at a recycling processing center. In 2018, Lancaster has changed what can and cannot go in curbside recycling bins. Use this guide to help keep Lancaster green!

*Focus on the BIG 4! Put only these items in your recycling bin*

<p><b>1</b></p>  <p>Corrugated Cardboard</p> <p>▼</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Flattened</div>	<p><b>2</b></p>  <p>Plastic Bottles &amp; Jugs with Necks</p> <p>▼</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Emptied, rinsed, &amp; lids removed (lids are not recyclable). Labels can stay on.</div>	<p><b>3</b></p>  <p>Metal Food &amp; Beverage Cans</p> <p>▼</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Emptied, rinsed, &amp; lids removed (lids are not recyclable). Labels can stay on.</div>	<p><b>4</b></p>  <p>Glass Jars &amp; Bottles</p> <p>▼</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Emptied, rinsed, &amp; lids removed (lids are not recyclable). Labels can stay on.</div>
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All other items, such as those below, **do not** belong in your recycling bin.



**❌ ITEMS BANNED FROM RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING BINS**

- Newspaper 
- Magazines and junk mail 
- Paperboard: cereal boxes, tissue boxes, food cartons, soiled pizza boxes, egg cartons 
- Plastics without a neck: yogurt cups, grocery bags, garbage bags, takeout food containers, utensils, plates and cups, food storage containers, zipped sandwich bags, Styrofoam, garden pots, film like that wrapped around a case of water, diapers, toys 
- Glass: vases, Pyrex dishes, drinkware, mirrors, candle holders, glass from picture frames 
- Metal: aluminum foil, aerosol cans, paint cans, auto parts, utensils, pots and pans, irons 
- Lids to bottles and cans 
- Other: rubber items, batteries, electronics, food waste, Christmas lights, garden hoses 

**♻️ PLACES TO RECYCLE ITEMS BANNED FROM THE BIN**

- Newspaper, office paper, magazines, phone books, hard and soft cover books:** Lancaster city's drop-off recycling center, 850 New Holland Ave.
  - Magazines:** Darrenkamp's Market, Elizabethtown; Ephrata Public Works Complex, Church Ave.; McDonald's, 1434 Manheim Pike rear lot, Lancaster; West Lampeter Township rear building; Lancaster Airport, container left of Winkie's and The Pilot Shop; Wissler Motors, Mount Joy
  - Batteries:** Get collection bags from your municipality and place batteries beside your trash or drive to Household Hazardous Waste facility at 1299 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster
  - Plastic bags:** Many grocery stores recycle them
- Go online to [Earth911.com](http://Earth911.com) and plug in your location and recycling item to find the nearest place to recycle
- For more information on local recycling, go to the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority website: [lcswma.org/lswma\\_recycling.cfm](http://lcswma.org/lswma_recycling.cfm)

It's okay to throw away everything else. It will be turned into energy. Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts trash into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping reduce landfill waste. When in doubt, throw it out.