



Recycling Cheatsheet

FOOD-RELATED

NOT FOOD-RELATED



food scraps



Plastic
tubs
jugs
bottles
jars



Paper
milk/soup
cartons
juice boxes
pizza boxes
grocery bags



Glass
bottles
jars



Metal
cans/tins
aluminum foil
take-out
containers
pie plates
empty
aerosol cans

Not plastic bags, pouches, hard plastic like toys or credit cards, cling or shrink wrap, styrofoam, or tubes

Not bakeware, stemware, mirrors, windows, non-food containers like candle jars and vases

CURBSIDE RECYCLING



Paper
office paper
junk mail
(and envelopes)
boxes (flattened)
magazines, newspapers,
softcover books
tubes

Plastic
jugs for detergent
or shampoo

TOWN RECYCLING CENTER



yard waste
textiles
paint
batteries
electronics
scrap metal
books
mattresses /
box springs



plastic bags
household
hazardous
waste
lightbulbs

DROP-OFF **

everything else



Recycle!

UNBAGGED
UNCRUSHED
UNSHREDDED

pumps removed
spatula-clean
leave labels and tape

When in doubt,
throw it out.



* Home compost or town drop-off locations: Town Recycling Center (Brixton St.), Town Hall, Eisenhower Park, Norfeldt Field. Email foodscraps@westhartfordct.gov.

** For information on drop-off locations, call: 860-561-8100



Recycling Rules of Thumb

- Don't bag, crush, or shred recyclables
- When in doubt, throw it out
("wish-cycling" contaminates the whole batch)
- A recycle symbol doesn't mean it's recyclable
- If it can fall through a 2x2 inch hole,
it's too small to recycle
(it will fall through gaps in processing equipment)
- Compostable products aren't recyclable
- Don't recycle tangles like cords, floss, or wire
(they jam processing equipment)



Visit Public Works on the
WH Town website for more information.

www.westhartfordct.gov/town-departments/public-works

NO BAGGING
NO STYROFOAM

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