

PENN WASTE, INC.

# Recycling Guidelines



*Your Guide to*  
**Better  
Recycling  
Practices**



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**Penn Waste accepts  
unlimited amounts  
of recycling!**



*Save these lists for reference*

## Acceptable Items



### METAL:

- Aluminum beverage cans
- Steel food & beverage cans, aerosol cans, paint cans

### GLASS:

- Clear, brown, and green glass food & beverage containers

### PLASTIC:

- #1 through #7 – All materials must be thoroughly cleaned before placing in your bin.

- ✓ *Remove caps/lids*
- ✓ *Rinse thoroughly*
- ✓ *It is OK to leave on labels and neck rings*

### PAPER, PAPERBOARD & CARDBOARD: Recycle Any Size. Any Quantity.

*Please break down boxes as flat as possible and put them out with your recycle bin(s) on your pick-up day.*

- All sizes of cardboard boxes
- Pizza boxes
- Food boxes (i.e. cereal & gelatin boxes)
- EMPTY paper towel and toilet paper rolls
- Paperboard packaging (i.e. tissue boxes)
- Office paper (any color)
- Shredded paper (in clear plastic bags, please)
- Newspapers and inserts
- Magazines, catalogs, and brochures
- Envelopes & junk mail
- Paper bags
- Phone books & other soft cover books

- ✓ *Remove all packaging (Styrofoam, peanuts, plastic bubble wrap, plastic liners, etc.)*
- ✓ *Flatten ALL boxes*
- ✓ *Bundle all cardboard that does not fit into the recycling bin*
- ✓ *Cover loose paper with heavier items to prevent it from blowing away*
- ✓ *If the weather forecast calls for high winds or wet weather, if possible, keep your paper recyclables until the next week. Wet paper products are difficult to process.*



# Unacceptable Items

## • NEEDLES!

***DO NOT place used needles with recycling! This is a serious health hazard to everyone!***



- Broken glass
- Windows, mirrors, ceramics
- Drinking glasses
- Aluminum foil
- Scrap metal
- Tupperware
- Plastic tableware (knives, forks, spoons, etc.)
- Plastic grocery bags
- Light bulbs
- Food soiled material
- Paperboard juice and milk containers
- Wet papers or cardboard
- Plastic food wrappers
- Used paper towels or tissues
- Styrofoam
- Pool chemicals
- Packing peanuts
- Plastic bubble wrap



**As of January 24, 2013, *by law* Penn Waste is not allowed to collect your electronic waste.**

The Covered Devices Recycling Act prohibits residents and businesses from placing their electronic waste at the curb or in their trash.

Covered devices include: desktop computers, laptops, monitors, computer peripherals (keyboard, mouse, printer and speakers), televisions and e-readers that browse the Internet.



***For more information on how to legally dispose of your electronic waste, please contact Penn Waste, Inc., 717-767-4456 or visit [www.pennwaste.com](http://www.pennwaste.com).***



# Ten Reasons to Recycle

## 1. Good for our economy

American companies rely on recycling programs to provide the raw materials they need to make new products.

## 2. Creates jobs

Recycling in the U.S. is a \$236 billion a year industry. More than 56,000 recycling and reuse enterprises employ 1.1 million workers nationwide.

## 3. Reduces waste

The average American discards seven and a half pounds of garbage every day. Most of this garbage goes into landfills, where it's compacted and buried.

## 4. Good for the environment

Recycling requires far less energy, uses fewer natural resources, and keeps waste from piling up in landfills.

## 5. Saves energy

Recycling offers significant energy savings over manufacturing with virgin materials. Manufacturing with recycled aluminum cans uses 95% less energy.

## 6. Less dependency on oil

Four percent of America's annual oil consumption goes into the production of plastic, and this amounts to about 219 million barrels of oil each year. The more plastic that is recycled, the less dependency on oil there will be.

## 7. Prevents global warming

In 2000, recycling of solid waste prevented the release of 32.9 million metric tons of carbon equivalent (MMTCE, the unit of measure for greenhouse gases) into the air.

## 8. Reduces water pollution

Making goods from recycled materials generates far less water pollution than manufacturing from virgin materials.

## 9. Protects wildlife

Using recycled materials reduces the need to damage forests, wetlands, rivers and other places essential to wildlife.

## 10. Creates new demand

Recycling and buying recycled products creates demand for more recycled products, decreasing waste and helping our economy.

Thanks!

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