

# Residential Recycling

## Blue Recycling Carts

The city provides each residence with a blue recycling cart with a lid to keep material dry and to help control litter. All accepted materials can be placed into a single recycling cart and placed on the curb for once a week collection. This cart remains the property of the city. If you are in need of a new cart, please call our operations team at (727) 562- 4920.

What items are accepted? Remember to "Simplify to 5"!

# CLEARWATER RECYCLES

## SIMPLIFY TO 5

1	2	3	4	5
PLASTIC	METAL	GLASS	CARDBOARD	PAPER
				
<b>PLASTIC BOTTLES &amp; CONTAINERS</b> Labeled #1-7 Lids stay on	<b>METAL CANS</b> Tin, steel, aluminum & empty aerosol cans	<b>GLASS BOTTLES &amp; JARS</b> Remove lids or caps	<b>CARDBOARD BOXES</b> Flattened	<b>PAPER</b> Includes junk mail & paperboard like shoe boxes & cereal boxes

## EMPTY, DRY, AND UNBAGGED ITEMS ONLY!



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BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL - BAY TO BEACH

You can help the environment by choosing to recycle but not everything can be recycled!

Remember to “simplify to 5” and only recycle these five categories of items:

- All plastics #1-7 (no Styrofoam, plastic bags or wraps) and rigid plastic containers
- Glass bottles/jars
- Aluminum/steel cans
- Mixed paper - if you can rip it, you can recycle it. This includes newspaper, office paper, magazines, junk n... , phone books, paperback books, cereal/food boxes, envelopes, shoe boxes, wrapping paper and folders.

- Flattened cardboard

# What items are not accepted in your recycling cart?

WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!



No plastic bags, wrap or tarps



No scrap metal, auto parts, tools, pots or pans



No ceramics, glassware or mirrors



No dirty cardboard like greasy pizza boxes



No polystyrene, foam, shredded paper, paper cups, plates, utensils or wrapping paper



No hazardous waste such as paint, tires or propane tanks



No small appliances, electronics or batteries



No food or liquids



No yard waste



No toys, buckets, or other hard plastics; no "tangles" such as hoses, wires, clothing or textiles

Plastic bags, plastic films and wraps, ropes, Christmas lights, fabric, scrap metal, tires, and electronics cannot be recycled through Clearwater’s curbside recycling program as they damaged the equipment in recycling facilities.

Please remember to stick to the basics when it comes to recycling. All accepted items should be relatively clean and not in bags to make sure the materials are accepted by our recycling facilities and not diverted to the landfill.

## To find out more about specific items:

If you would like to know more, visit the [Pinellas County "A to Z Guide"](http://www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste/getridofit/) (<http://www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste/getridofit/>) to find the proper ways to recycle or dispose of specific items in your area:



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For more information on what you can recycle, call the Solid Waste/Recycling department at (727) 562-4920.

