









Essex County
**RECYCLING
GUIDE**

1995

ITEMS TO BE RECYCLED	PREPARATION	RESTRICTIONS
Glass Clear, brown and green glass bottles and jars only 	Separate by color Empty and clean Remove lids and caps Labels and neck rings okay Don't break or crush	NO ceramics, dishes, or drinking glasses, light bulbs, window glass, mirrors, crystal, pyrex or laboratory glass
Plastic Bottles Only Plastic bottles with this symbol on the bottom  	Empty and clean Labels okay Remove lids and caps Must be <u>flattened</u> <i>Flattening plastic bottles saves space in recycling containers and helps to reduce the cost of transporting recyclable materials!</i>	NO #2 motor oil bottles, pesticide containers or plastic bags Non-bottle #2 plastic containers are not acceptable: NO tub type containers such as butter, frosting or cottage cheese NO soda bottle 6-pack holders NO disposable baby wipe containers NO buckets or pails
Tin & Aluminum Cans Food and beverage cans, pet food cans, TV dinner trays, pie tins, foil, <u>empty</u> aerosol cans, and clean, dry paint cans. 	Empty and clean Labels okay Remove ends, tuck inside and flatten Aerosol cans must be empty Paint cans must be clean and dry with lids removed	NO propane cylinders NO scrap metal Paint cans with more than a thin dry layer of paint should be discarded by removing the lid and allowing contents to dry prior to disposal with household garbage
Newspaper 	Clean and dry All inserts okay Loose papers only - no string, paper or plastic bags	Newspaper only NO magazines or catalogs Recycle other paper items separately
Magazines and Catalogs with glossy pages	Clean and dry Loose magazines only - NO string, paper or plastic bags	NO plastic NO phone books NO junk mail Recycle other paper items separately
Corrugated Cardboard Cardboard with the ridged center Brown paper grocery bags 	Clean and dry Remove all packing materials Must be flattened Must be loose - no bundles	NO waxed or plastic coated NO boxboard NO pizza boxes NO "yellow" cardboard
Office Papers and Junk Mail All white or colored, computer, copy, loose leaf, legal, NCR, fax and adding machine papers; envelopes, manila file folders, checks and forms, index and business cards, and junk mail.	Clean and dry Open and sort all junk mail to remove non-paper contaminants Recycle all magazines, catalogs and newspaper separately	NO carbon paper NO plastic of any kind NO spiral or 3-ring binders No Tyvek envelopes NO paper ream wrappers NO cigarette, gum or candy wrappers, paper cups or plates Recycle other paper items separately
Boxboard Single layer paper boxes: Cereal, cake mix, pasta, detergent, facial tissue and shoe boxes 	Clean and dry Remove liner bag Remove plastic windows Flatten	NO metal or plastic of any kind NO waxed, plastic or foil coated boxes NO corrugated cardboard NO pizza boxes NO milk cartons or juice boxes
Phone Books and Paperback Books all white or yellow page telephone directories and paperback books	Clean and dry Remove plastic covers	NO hardcover books NO magazines NO catalogs Recycle other paper items separately
Hard & Soft Covered Textbooks 	Clean and dry Remove plastic covers	NO moldy books NO water or fire damaged books NO plastic covers <i>Old books with yellow and brittle pages should be discarded</i>