

Don't contaminate YOUR RECYCLING!

Over the past few months we have collected record amounts of recyclables which have successfully been reprocessed and sent on to make new materials. ✓

But in some cases the service is being seriously mis-used with materials not fit for recycling being put in the green sacks for collection. This is called CONTAMINATION. ✗

Contaminates create problems when the recycling is sorted and costs you money. !

In some cases, the health and safety of workers who do the sorting is put at risk. !

What we can recycle ✓

Paper & Cardboard

- newspaper and magazines
- writing paper / all envelopes
- cardboard packaging
- junk mail
- telephone books and yellow pages
- mail order catalogues
- cardboard and corrugated card
- cereal packets
- cardboard egg boxes
- waxed drink cartons (milk/juice type)

Plastics

- drink and milk bottles
- all plastic bottles / tops
- plastic carrier bags
- plant pots / coat hangers
- yoghurt pots
- margarine / ice cream tubs
- plastic film

Food tins, drinks cans

- all steel and aluminium drink cans
- food tins / pet food tins
- clean tin foil / tin foil trays
- empty aerosol cans

Textiles

- clothing and pairs of shoes
- curtains

Mixed glass

- bottles and jars

What is contamination?

Did you know that if your recycling bag does not contain the correct materials then it may be considered contaminated?

Contaminated recycling will not be accepted by our recycling processors, may end up in a landfill site and ultimately costing us, and therefore YOU, money. What a waste!

To avoid contamination, please use the recycling bags for the correct materials only.

We will be monitoring recycling collections more closely. We will not collect recycling from residents who do not sort their materials properly. !

What items are contaminates?

- blankets
- pillows
- soiled sheets
- duvets
- toys
- Cds, video tapes
- handbags/sports bags
- belts
- ALL food waste
- nappies
- sanitary towels
- pet bedding
- dog poo
- green waste
- hose pipes
- electric cabling
- Christmas lights
- paddling pools
- inflatables
- wood
- electrical items ✗



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