

RECYCLING and WASTE DISPOSAL in HARRISBURG:

Recycle It!



Please place the following items in your CITY RECYCLING BIN for collection:

PAPER – THE NEW GOLD !

- Newspaper, magazines, phone books
- Office paper: copier paper, ordinary envelopes, notebook paper, colored paper (Paper clips, staples, rubber bands – do not need to be removed)
- Junk mail/Advertising mail
- Paperback books (to recycle hard-back books, remove the paper from the binding, recycle the paper and place the binding in the trash)
- Paper bags
- Cartons: milk, wine, soup, egg, juice boxes (please rinse and crush, remove straws)
- Cereal and similar food boxes (remove all plastic packaging)
- Please put all loose or shredded paper into a paper bag or clear plastic bag

Need to have paper shredded?

Goodwill, Keystone Area
1150 Goodwill Drive
Harrisburg, PA 17101
717.525.6202

Tri State Shredding
2209 N 7th Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110
717.233.5606

CORRUGATED BOXES

- Avoid food-stained or wax-coated boxes
- Flatten all boxes, please get rid of all packaging materials inside unless it is made of paper
- If your quantity of cardboard is small, please stack it neatly at the curbside; tie it up if possible

PLASTIC

- Bottles: water, juice, soda, milk, ketchup, mustard, shampoo, detergent, etc.
- Yogurt, cottage cheese, margarine tubs, etc.
- **Rinse it please** – to prevent odors and pests
- **Look for numbers 1 thru 7:** (if no number is imprinted on the container, please dispose of it in the trash)

TIN and STEEL Containers

- **Rinse it please**
- Tin cans and food containers, soda cans, **EMPTY** aerosol spray bottles
- Empty paint cans (if you can't use up the old paint, fill the can with kitty litter, let it dry, then put the litter in the trash and recycle the can)

Other items that **MUST** be recycled

All of these must be taken to qualified processors, not placed in the City's recycling bins:

- Electronic waste:
 - televisions
 - computers & peripherals
 - small appliances
- Fluorescent lamps and other mercury-bearing lamps
- Auto and truck tires
- Auto and truck batteries



Quantities of these items determine the best means to recycle them. For more information, please call the Harrisburg Dept. of Public Works Recycling Office: 717-412-4520

GLASS NO LONGER ACCEPTED – GLASS IS TRASH!

- **As of March, 2015:** Glass bottles and jars are no longer collected with recycling, except in bulk quantities; please place them in the trash.
- Glass, unfortunately, has become more of a contaminant in our recycling stream and the city will receive more revenue for the recycled plastic, metal and paper if we can reduce the amount of glass in the stream. Bottles and jars can be recycled at Dauphin County's drop-off sites at the Harrisburg Incinerator or the Uptown Plaza.

TRASH

Please put these in your CITY TRASH BIN, and NOT in your recycling bin:

- Glass of all kinds—Bottles, Jars, Glasses, Windows, Mirrors—and Ceramics
- Food
- Food-soiled paper and plastic
- Shipping or padded envelopes
- Plastic Food Wrappers
- Plastic packaging of any type
- Plastic Bags (Including Grocery Bags) these can go in the trash, but every area grocery store has a bin to collect and recycle plastic bags and dry-cleaning covers
- Waxy Cardboard
- Wet Papers/Cardboard
- Used Paper Towels or Tissues
- Aluminum Foil
- Plastic Tableware (Knives, Forks, etc.)
- Light Bulbs & Christmas Lights
- Hoses

Hazardous Materials Disposal

Common waste items that need to be disposed of carefully, NOT in the everyday trash:

- Chemicals, Paint thinner, oil-base paint, solvents
- Bug spray, pesticides, rodent poison, weed-killer, fungicide
- floor cleaning chemicals
- Automotive fluids: brake, transmission, hydraulic
- Antifreeze
- Motor oil and oil filters (these can be recycled by most auto service garages)
- Turpentine, Creosote, paint thinner and stripper, wood stain and varnish
- Refrigerators and air conditioners



There are different means of properly disposing of these materials, depending on quantities. For guidance, please call the Harrisburg Dept. of Public Works Recycling Office: 717-412-4520

Bulk Waste Materials

Just a reminder:

Bulk trash items can be placed with your trash (ONE item per week) for collection.

NEW CONTAINERS COMING SOON!

Delivered to your door:

The Department of Public Works will be issuing all residential customers with new and larger containers for trash waste and recycling. They will be issued by mid-summer.