



Recycle Right Miramar



Recycling is a simple and effective step everyone can take that protects the Earth resources, saves energy and reduces pollution. Every day we come across hundreds of items that can be recycled. But not everything is part of the City's Residential Recycling Program. **That's why it's so important to "RECYCLE RIGHT" by only placing acceptable items in to your recycling cart/bin.**

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECYCLING RIGHT?

Recyclables are commodities bought and sold based on their market value. Several changes affecting the value of the recycling market have resulted in a demand for cleaner recycle product. Some of these recycled products come from the processing of recyclables placed in carts/bins like ours.

FACTORS IMPACTING THE RECYCLE MARKET:

- Decrease global demand for recyclables
- Value of recyclables down 40% in 5 years
- Strict regulations on recycling exports
- High amount of non-acceptable items
- Low oil prices makes producing plastics cheaper, reducing the need for recycled plastic
- Technological advances produce thinner water bottles and aluminum cans

So take the Recycling Pledge and become a Recycling Ambassador to promote Recycling Right every day.
www.miramarfl.gov/399/Solid-Waste

RECYCLE RIGHT RULES

1. Recycle only acceptable items
2. Keep items clean and dry
3. DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS

PRECYCLE

Precycling is the decisions and actions we take to reduce the amount of trash we make. Precycling is the preferred method of managing waste because our actions reduce or eliminate waste before it's created.

- Buy in bulk to reduce packaging waste
- Bring your own shopping bag
- Use durable cups, plates and silverware

REDUCE YOUR JUNK MAIL

Contact the Direct Marketing Association to sign up for their mail preference service. This will allow you to remove your name from most national telemarketing, mail, and e-mail lists.

www.DMAchoice.org (212) 768-1888 ext. 1888



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ACCEPTABLE ITEMS



Plastic Bottles



Aluminum & Steel Cans



Paper, Mail & Cardboard



Cereal & Tissue Boxes

NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS



Pizza Boxes



Hoses



Toys



Christmas Lights



Plastic Bags



Styrofoam Cups & Take-out Containers



Diapers



Syringes



Batteries

Non-acceptable materials actually slow down the recycling process or even ruin the load.

BATTERY DISPOSAL

Confused about all the different types of batteries? The link below explains how to properly dispose of used batteries. www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/batteries.

PLASTIC BAGS AND FILM

Keep your eyes open for bins at your favorite retail stores. They usually have bins that accept a wide variety of plastic bags, films, and wraps. To find out more visit: www.plasticfilmrecycling.org

PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE

Please do not flush your medicines down the toilet or down the drain. Visit the link below to find out how to safely dispose of old medications. www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/medications

USED CAR OIL COLLECTION CENTERS

Are you a do-it-yourselfer, and want to recycle your used car oil? Visit the link below to find a list of collection centers that accept used oil from the public. It is searchable by county, zip or city, just fill in one of the search categories, and click the PUOCC Search button, to find local collection centers. www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/used_oil

MEDICAL SHARPS

Please check with your Doctor's office or pharmacy to see if they accept or sell sharp compliance postage paid envelopes. Materials are mailed through the U.S. Postal Service to a licensed facility for safe destruction. Visit the link below for state and local sharp disposal programs: <http://www.browardchd.org/environmental/BiomedicalWasteSharpsDisposal>

Residents can place all acceptable recyclables together in the blue recycling cart/bin (NO BAGS), lids closed and arrows facing the street. Collection is provided once per week with no collection on Sunday or Christmas Day.

RECYCLING FACTS

- Each ton (2,000 pounds) of recycled paper can save 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, 4,000 kilowatts of energy, and 7,000 gallons of water. This represents a 64% energy savings, a 58% water savings, and 60 pounds less of air pollution!
- An aluminum can is recycled and back on the grocery shelf as a new can, in as little as 60 days.
- Americans use 2,500,000 plastic bottles every hour! Sadly most of them are thrown away!
- Motor oil never wears out, it just gets dirty. Oil can be recycled, re-refined and used again, reducing our reliance on imported oil.
- A single quart of motor oil, if disposed of improperly, can contaminate up to 2,000,000 gallons of fresh water.