

# Commingled Recyclables

## DO NOT INCLUDE:

- × Plastic bags, all plastic film (e.g., dry cleaning bags and packaging materials), vinyl
- × Unmarked or non-coded plastics (e.g., toys, hangers, tableware, utensils)
- × Large rigid plastics (e.g., toys, furniture)
- × Plastic foam (e.g., Styrofoam, beverage cups, trays, packaging materials)
- × Broken glass
- × Pots & pans
- × Anything that may have held hazardous waste, such as motor oil, solvents, etc.
- × Building materials (e.g., PVC piping, bathroom and kitchen fixtures)

Recyclable glass, plastic, and metal containers are collected together (commingled) in the GREEN recycling bin.

The County recently expanded its source separation law to include all plastics coded with a number 1 through 7 on the bottom.

### What goes in the GREEN bin?

PLASTICS Numbered 1 through 7:

- Shampoo and laundry detergent bottles
- Household cleaners
- Yogurt cups
- Coded pails and buckets
- Coded flower pots and trays rinsed free of soil or other products.

CLEAN GLASS—Unbroken green, brown, and clear food and beverage bottles and jars

CLEAN METAL—Food and beverage containers, clean aluminum foil and trays, empty aerosol cans.

All containers must be rinsed clean, but plastic tops on containers DO NOT need to be removed.



DO NOT INCLUDE PLASTIC BAGS



DO NOT MIX PAPER AND PLASTIC

NO HANGERS (PLASTIC OR METAL!)



CONTAINERS MUST BE EMPTY AND RINSED!



THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF CORRECT RECYCLING BINS AND CARDBOARD.

For more information about what items can and cannot be recycled, please visit the County's website: <http://environment.westchestergov.com> or call the County Recycling HelpLine at (914) 813-5425.



NO OVERSIZED BINS!  
NO PLASTIC BAGS!

# Paper and Cardboard

The BLUE recycling box is for paper products and cardboard.

Paper and cardboard can also be put curbside in brown paper bags.

Cardboard must be flattened and tied in bundles of no more than 2' by 2' by 2'.

### What goes in the BLUE bin?

- Magazines & glossy newspaper inserts
- Junk mail & advertising circulars
- Clean newspaper
- Office paper
- Brown paper grocery bags
- Phone books
- Egg cartons
- Tissue boxes
- Cereal boxes
- Other food boxes (plastic lining removed)



THESE BOXES ARE NOT TIED



## DO NOT INCLUDE:

- × Plastic bags
- × Styrofoam packaging
- × Waxed cartons (e.g., juice, milk)
- × Soiled papers
- × Hard & soft cover books

DPW collects recyclables on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. See page 13 for the Collection Schedule or call DPW to find out your day.

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### Important Things to Remember:

- Do not put recycling out to the curb before 6:00 PM the night before recycling day.
- Weigh paper down in windy conditions.
- Scattered paper and recyclables are YOUR responsibility to collect.
- Cardboard must be flattened and tied.

## Rye is a Recycling Leader in Westchester County—Let's Keep it That Way!

Recycling is the law!

In 2013, Westchester County recycled 50% of its total waste stream, well above both the national and New York State recycling goals. The City of Rye was once again one of the County's recycling leaders, with a recycling rate of 66% in 2013!



It is mandatory for all residents, businesses, and schools to recycle plastic, glass, and metal, as well as cardboard and paper.

City sanitation crews have been instructed not to pick up any garbage that is mixed with recyclable materials.