# RETHINK WASTE

WASTE DIVERSION GUIDE FOR APARTMENT BUILDINGS AND TOWNHOUSES

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### **RECYCLING CART**

### WHAT GOES IN YOUR RECYCLING CART?

#### **Paper Products and Packaging**



MAGAZINES AND PHONE BOOKS NEWSPAPERS AND FLYERS COFFEE CUPS PAPER EGG TRAYS MILK CARTONS ICE CREAM CONTAINERS CARDBOARD AND PAPER PAPER GIFT WRAP

**Plastic Packaging** 



HOUSEHOLD PRODUCT CONTAINERS PLASTIC SPRAY BOTTLES AND DISPENSERS PLASTIC FOOD JARS AND LIDS MILK JUGS, YOGURT CUPS, COFFEE LIDS SINGLE-USE COFFEE PODS (CLEAN) PLASTIC PLANT POTS PLASTIC FOOD TRAYS AND LIDS PLASTIC PAILS

#### **Metal Packaging**



ALUMINUM FOIL AND TRAYS (CLEAN) TIN/ALUMINUM CANS AND LIDS EMPTY AEROSOL SPRAY CANS

### **RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS**

#### Please Remember to...





RINSE CONTAINERS TO MINIMIZE ODOURS

FLATTEN MATERIAL TO SAVE SPACE



PLACE SHREDDED PAPER IN A CLEAR, COLOURLESS PLASTIC BAG



PLACE CAPS AND MATERIALS LOOSE IN CART

### NOT IN YOUR RECYCLING CART

The recycling cart is for paper products, plastic containers, and metal containers only.

## Carts containing unacceptable materials will not be collected.

Frequently placed unacceptable materials include:

- Items that are not recycled properly (e.g. electronics, which should be taken to a recycling depot)
- Non-recyclables (e.g. garden hose or broken toys, which should be placed in the garbage)
- Plastic bags
- Recyclable material tied in plastic bags (with the exception of shredded paper)

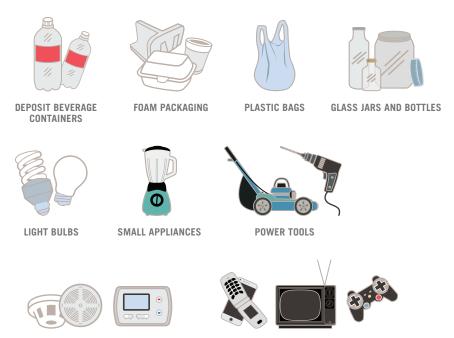


### **RETURN TO DEPOT OR RETAILER**

#### **Recyclepedia by RCBC**

#### www.rcbc.ca | 604-732-9253

Finding your closest recycling location is easy with the Recycling Council of British Columbia's Recyclepedia. Search for almost any item to find a drop-off location and also see what other materials are accepted.



**CO/SMOKE ALARMS AND THERMOSTATS** 

ELECTRONICS

### **ORGANICS CART**

#### WHAT GOES IN YOUR ORGANICS CART?

#### Food Waste





#### **Cooking Oil and Grease**

For small amounts, wipe the pot or pan clean with a paper towel and place it in your organics cart. For large amounts, pour into a tin can to cool and solidify before disposing into your organics cart (without the can).

Ensure food waste is already in cart to help soak up any cooking oil!

#### PLASTICS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE ORGANICS CART (INCLUDING BIODEGRADABLE OR COMPOSTABLE BAGS)

You can line your kitchen catcher with newspaper or other paper products, such as kraft paper bags, which are available for purchase at city recreation facilities for \$1.00 per 10-bag package.



### LANDFILL WASTE

#### Waste That Cannot be Recycled or Composted

Only waste that cannot be recycled or composted goes to the landfill.







DIAPERS

**BROKEN GLASSWARE** 

**BROKEN TOYS** 







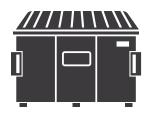
GARBAGE

**GARDEN HOSE** 

**USED HYGIENE PRODUCTS** 

#### Please note...

The city does not service garbage collection for apartment buildings and townhouses. Please contact your private garbage collector for more information.



### **BANNED MATERIALS**

#### Banned Waste and Household Hazardous Waste

Materials that are toxic such as paint, hazardous goods, or loads with uncontained liquids are not accepted. Fines will be levied on the dumping of toxic, prohibited, or banned waste materials.

Hazardous materials must not be placed in any of your waste carts, as they can cause an explosion or fire when compacted in collection vehicles or at processing facilities. In order to ensure the safety of our collection workers and prevent any dangerous incidents from occurring, please return these items to a point of sale or authorized depot.

To find an authorized disposal facility or depot, please visit Metro Vancouver Recycles at **www.metrovancouverrecycles.org** or call the Recycling Council of BC Hotline at 604-732-9253.



#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

To learn more about your waste collection services, visit us online:

surrey.ca/rethinkwaste

**City of Surrey – Waste Collection Hotline** 604-590-7289

**City of Surrey – Report Illegal Dumping** 604-591-4152

#### **DEPOT INFORMATION**

Recyclepedia www.rcbc.ca

Household Hazardous Waste 604-732-9253

Surrey Transfer Station 604-681-5600

