

All About Plastic Recycling

Plastic must have the recycling symbol to be recycled in Cache County's recycling program



Number 1 Plastics – PET or PETE (Polyethylene Terephthalate)

Examples: Soda and water bottles; mouthwash bottles; peanut butter containers; salad dressing and vegetable oil containers; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container.

Recycled Into: Polar fleece fiber, tote bags, furniture, carpet, paneling, and occasionally made into new plastic containers.



Number 2 Plastics – HDPE (High Density Polyethylene)

Examples: Milk jugs, juice bottles; bleach, detergent and household cleaner bottles; shampoo bottles; some trash and shopping bags; motor oil bottles; cereal box liners; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container, EXCEPT PLASTIC

BAGS, please do not place plastic bags in your blue curbside recycling can.

Recycled Into: Detergent bottles, recycling containers, floor tile, drainage pipe, benches, picnic tables, fencing



Number 3 Plastics – PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride)

Examples: Window cleaner and detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, clear food packaging, wire jacketing, medical equipment, siding, windows, piping; etc.

Recycling: Few items are made from the material, but if you run across a CONTAINER with the #3 inside the recycling symbol it is collected in the blue curbside recycling can. Please do not put PVC pipe or other plastics not marked with the recycling symbol in your blue can.

Recycled Into: Decks, paneling, mud flaps, roadway gutters, flooring, cables, speed bumps, mats



Number 4 Plastics – LDPE (Low Density Polyethylene)

Examples: Squeezable bottles; bread, dry cleaning and shopping bags; tote bags; carpet; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container with the EXCEPTION OF plastic bags. However, some stores will accept plastic shopping bags for recycling.

Recycled Into: Trash can liners and cans, compost bins, shipping envelopes, paneling, lumber, floor tile



Number 5 Plastics – PP (Polypropylene)

Examples: Syrup bottles, ketchup bottles, straws, medicine bottles; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container.

Recycled Into: Battery cables, brooms, brushes, auto battery cases, ice scrapers, landscape borders, bicycle racks, rakes, bins



Number 6 Plastics – PS (Polystyrene)

Examples: Disposable plates and cups, meat trays, egg cartons, carry-out containers, aspirin bottles, compact disc cases; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container UNLESS IT IS STYROFOAM. Please do not put Styrofoam in your blue recycling container, even if it has a recycling symbol.

Recycled Into: Insulation, light switch plates, egg cartons, vents, rulers, foam packing, carry-out containers



Number 7 Plastics – Other

Examples: 3 and 5 gallon water bottles, 'bullet-proof' materials, sunglasses, DVDs, iPod and computer cases, signs and displays, nylon; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container. Please no "bioplastics" such as "corn plastic", etc...

Recycled Into: Plastic lumber, custom-made products
