



Ocean County

(<http://www.co.ocean.nj.us/home2.aspx>)

DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

RECYCLE AT HOME



All together in one bin
Clean & Dry

Since 2010, Ocean County has been operating a **single stream** recycling system in order to collect and process recyclable materials.

Single stream means that all bottles, cans, newspapers, cardboard, junk mail, magazines, and mixed paper can be placed in ONE bin. Once those materials arrive at our Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in Lakewood, sorting equipment (and workers) will separate them from one another so they may be sent to end markets for further processing/recycling. Download our recycling guide and recycle like a pro!

ACCEPTABLE

PLASTIC #1 #2 & #5

All plastics numbered 1, 2 or 5



The image shows a blue recycling bin with the Ocean County logo. To the left, three green recycling symbols with numbers 1, 2, and 5 are shown with an arrow pointing to the bin. Below them is the text "Plastics Empty, clean, & dry". To the right, a box contains four red recycling symbols with numbers 3, 4, 6, and 7, with the text "Are NOT accepted" below them.

Plastics
Empty, clean,
& dry

Are NOT
accepted

ALUMINUM, STEEL, & TIN.

Cans & Foil



The image shows a blue recycling bin with the Ocean County logo. To the left, a stack of aluminum cans and a roll of foil are shown with an arrow pointing to the bin. Below them is the text "Food cans & foil Empty, clean, & dry". To the right, a red circle with a diagonal slash is placed over two cans, with the text "Hazardous waste or pressurized cans are NOT accepted curbside" below it.

Food cans & foil
Empty, clean, & dry

Hazardous waste or
pressurized cans are
NOT accepted curbside

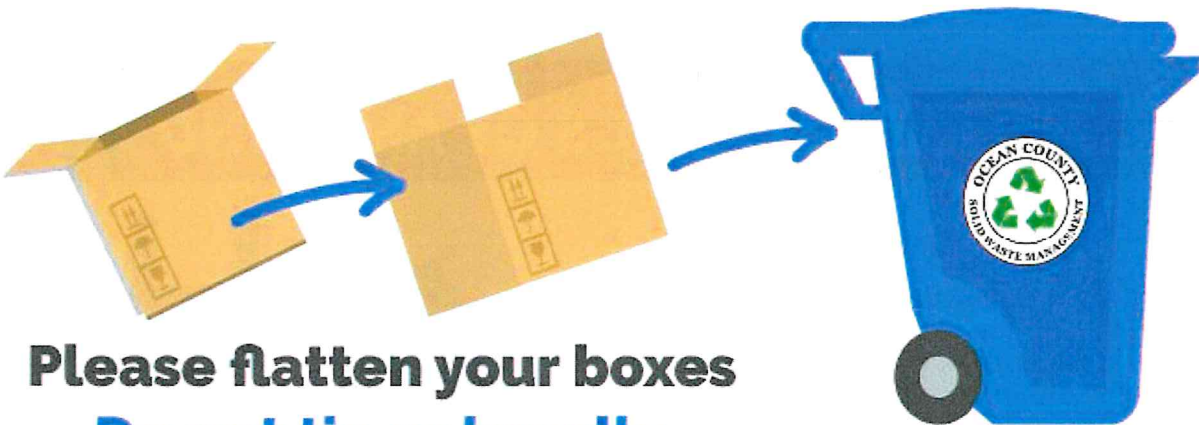
GLASS BOTTLES, JARS, & CONTAINERS



Bottles, jars, & jugs
Empty, clean, & dry

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD BOXES

Look for the waffle pattern, please flatten all boxes and make sure they are clean and dry. Remove the greasy part of pizza boxes.



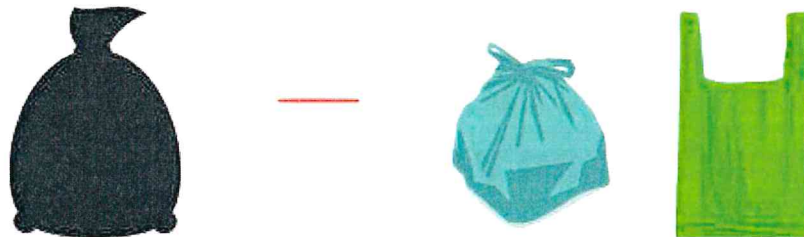
Please flatten your boxes
Do not tie or bundle

PAPER

Office paper, magazines, cereal boxes, etc.



NOT ACCEPTABLE



- **NO** bags, shrink wrap, plastic film, etc. -- Take these items to bins located at the entrances of grocery stores for proper recycling. find a drop off location [HERE: plasticfilmrecycling.org](http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org) (http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/s01/s01_search.html)


NO PLASTIC #3 #4 #6 & #7

All plastics numbered 3, 4, 6 or 7

NON-recyclable plastics

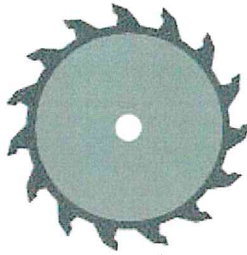
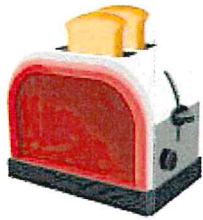


Multiplastic, #3 PVC, #4 LDPE soft plastics, #6 PS Styrofoam & #7 a.k.a others

- Please wash containers, **NO FOOD-CONTAMINATED ITEMS** should be placed in your recyclables (soiled pizza boxes, peanut butter jars, etc.)
- Plastic utensils, plates & cups (plastic disposable dishware)
-  [CLICK HERE](#) (frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=8964a817-dcad-4451-9186-65e0bab01880) for information on **Unconventional Recycling Programs**
- Garden Hoses & Bowling Balls -- believe it or not we see a ton of both of these items :)
- Plastic flower or shrubbery pots (Home Depot and Lowes both accept them at their Garden Centers)
- Rigid Plastics (laundry baskets, garbage cans or buckets, lawn furniture, toys, totes) Rigid Plastic Recycling Program (frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=d2f29f8b-1295-4144-b3b4-d912e54ef31d) (recycle separately)
- PVC pipes/tubing, plastic & metal drums, 5-gallon water bottles.
- Styrofoam

BULKY METAL/SCRAP

NON-curbside recyclable metal

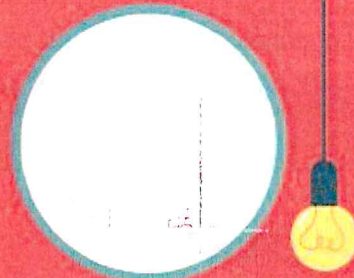


Scrap metal, appliances, tools, car parts, aerosols, or any container for hazardous materials

- Cooking pots and pans.
- Scrap Metal (frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=2ed1e609-ab74-4d52-a89a-2d45d622af44).
- Aerosol cans for paint, lubricants, motor oil, or other hazardous materials (frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=2214c33c-e461-44a6-bc72-e93127c7d7b4)

SERVEWARE, WINDOWS, MIRRORS, CERAMIC

NON-recyclable glass



Serveware, windows, mirrors, light bulbs...

- Dinnerware or glassware, window glass, mirrors, ceramic containers, ceramic knick knacks, Pyrex dishes or cookware. Donate these items to Habitat for Humanity, Goodwill, another local thrift store.
- Light Bulbs

WAXED COATED OR CONTAMINATED PAPER

NON-recyclable paper products



Mixed materials (wax coated, foil, glitter), greasy, hygiene/sanitary products, thermal receipts

- Please **NO SHREDDED PAPER** (may be brought to special drop-off areas at both recycling centers)
- Aseptic Packaging (ice cream or juice containers, milk cartons, waxed paper or waxed cardboard cartons & food containers)
- Telephone Books (frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=43135996-305f-49c8-8f74-bbc63a95227a) (may be brought to special drop-off areas at both recycling centers)
- Please do **NOT** tie or bundle any materials (paper, cardboard, etc.)

SUBSCRIBE

Sign up to receive email notifications of updates on the Household Hazardous Waste and Document Shredding Programs.

[Subscribe or Login \(../frmEmailSubscribe.aspx\)](#)

UPDATES

[07/23/21] IMPROVEMENTS PROVIDE BOOST TO OCEAN COUNTY RECYCLING PROGRAM (FRMREGCONTENTSW.ASPX?ID=44862AB0-6C7F-48BA-B05B-077FA72940F4)

Equipment investments and market improvements will allow Ocean County to capture a greater amount of recyclables going forward.

[Read More... \(frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=44862ab0-6c7f-48ba-b05b-077fa72940f4\)](#)

COUNTING DOWN TO NJ'S 2022 PLASTIC CARRYOUT BAG AND POLYSTYRENE FOAM BAN (FRMREGCONTENTSW.ASPX?ID=91288DE5-5BEC-4484-8007-82EFAB9CD47E)

The NJBAC & NJDEP are working together to help NJ businesses comply with the forthcoming law.

[Read More... \(frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=91288de5-5bec-4484-8007-82efab9cd47e\)](#)

[06/10/21] SUMMER/FALL 2021 HHW SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED (FRMREGCONTENTSW.ASPX?ID=721CE547-A7C0-437E-A286-1C9B24C73D3C)

Ocean County has announced **four (4) dates** for the **Summer/Fall 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Program**.

[Read More... \(frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=721ce547-a7c0-437e-a286-1c9b24c73d3c\)](#)

[03/11/21] 2021 RESIDENTIAL DOCUMENT SHREDDING PROGRAM (FRMREGCONTENTSW.ASPX?ID=7FC73047-F22E-44AB-8E45-A775AF45BDD3)

Ocean County has announced its full **2021 Residential Document Shredding Program** schedule.

[Read More... \(frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=7fc73047-f22e-44ab-8e45-a775af45bdd3\)](#)

[03/02/2021] WEBINAR: HOW TO COMPOST (FRMREGCONTENTSW.ASPX?ID=15FB0466-0CCF-4CF8-BACE-6FD1E928C67C)

Celebrate the Earth Hour with us and learn how to compost!

[Read More... \(frmRegContentSW.aspx?ID=15fb0466-0ccf-4cf8-bace-6fd1e928c67c\)](#)

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