

# Recycling made easy!



**NetWaste**  
A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

*What can and can't be recycled?  
Follow our recycling tips and you will find it's easier than you think!*



Empty aerosols, aluminium, steel (tin) cans can be recycled.

**Australians presently only recycle about 35% of their steel cans!**



Remember to recycle your junk mail, magazines, window envelopes & old phone books.



Empty, DRY paint tins can go in the recycle bin.

Don't forget to put your clean shampoo bottles, detergent bottles & plastic cleaning containers (from the kitchen, bathroom & laundry) in your recycle bin.



You can put green, brown & clear glass bottles & jars in your recycling bin.

**There just isn't enough volume of other coloured glass to make it worthwhile collecting in our region.**



Yes to empty margarine containers, yoghurt tubs & hard plastic takeaway food containers.

**Making products from recycled plastic instead of virgin materials reduces water usage by 90%.**



Yes to clean aluminium foil & trays.

**Recycled aluminium is made into lots of different things including parts for planes, cars, bikes & boats.**



These types of black, plastic garden pots can go in your recycle bin.



Yes to juice cartons, tissue boxes, milk cartons & clean pizza boxes.

**For every kg of cardboard recycled you save up to 1kg of greenhouse gas.**



WHAT ABOUT LIDS?

Lids from hard plastic ice cream containers are big enough to recycle. If you put the metal lid from your steel (tin) can inside the can and squeeze it shut so it doesn't fall out it can go in the recycle bin



This side lists all the **items you cannot recycle** in your Kerbside Recycle Bin. If too many of these items end up in the recycle bin the contents will be 'contaminated' & may end up in the landfill rather than being recycled.



Don't put your bags & other soft plastics in the recycling as these create problems at the Recycling Centre. They can wrap around the machinery causing a shut down & potential fire hazard.  
**Please don't put your recycling in a plastic bag before you place it in your recycle bin.**



Polystyrene foam packaging is not recyclable through your kerbside recycling bin so put it in your general waste bin.  
**Polystyrene doesn't break down, it just breaks into small pieces that can be mistaken for food by birds and animals.**



Disposable coffee cups can't go in the recycle bin.  
**Many coffee cups are wax coated and can't be recycled. It's hard to pick the recyclable ones so NO COFFEE CUPS in your recycle bin. Take a re-useable cup and ask your favourite coffee shop to refill it instead.**



If you want to put shredded paper in the recycling bin place it in a paper bag or cardboard box so that it doesn't get lost in the other recycling or blown away.  
**Making paper from recycled paper uses 99% less water & 50% less energy than if produced from raw materials.**



No clothing or rags of any kind in your recycle bin please.  
**If in good condition you could take these to your local Charity Shop**



No garden or food waste in your recycle bin please.  
**If you have an organics collection bin put your food and garden waste in this bin for collection, but if not perhaps you could use it to feed your chickens or add it to your worm farm or compost bin.**



Plate glass (windows & mirrors) is a different type of glass than bottles & jars & can't be recycled through your Kerbside Recycling Service.



Not all glass can go in the recycle bin: drinking glasses, oven proof glass & crockery must go in the general waste bin.



Metal items such as gas cylinders, that broken aluminium chair or even that metal coat hanger can't go in your recycle bin.  
**Check with your local council as some will accept empty gas cylinders at their waste facilities.**



Keep tissues & serviettes out of the recycling please.  
**Every time paper is recycled the individual fibres become weaker & shorter, limiting the number of times it can be recycled. Tissues & serviettes are at the end of their recycling life.**



Remove lids off your hard plastic bottles and containers and put them in your general waste bin. Don't forget to remove the metal lids off your glass bottles and jars also.