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RECYCLABLES Material must be clean and dry

METAL – Empty and rinse as appropriate

- Aerosol cans (empty and non-hazardous)
- Aluminum foil, foil trays, and pans (clean)
- Cans (e.g., food, beverage, pet food)
- Car parts small (no fluids)
- Coat hangers metal/wire (no paper)
- Doors and screens
- Keys
- Lids and caps metal (e.g., from glass bottles, jars)
- Paint cans (remove excess paint, let residue dry)
- Pipes & plumbing fixtures metal
- Pots and pans (no nonstick)
- Scrap Metal
- Screws, nails, nuts and bolts, and tools
- Toys and sporting goods metal
- Utensils metal

GLASS – Empty & rinse as appropriate (remove lids)

- Beverage bottles
- Broken glass
- Cookware & dishware (no Pyrex)
- Food jars
- Windows uncoated/unlaminated
- Wine bottles

PAPER – Staples and tape ok

- Aseptic containers (e.g., juice, soap)
- Bags (e.g., white, colored, non-metallic)
- Books hardback and softback
- Carbonless paper (e.g., receipts)
- Cardboard (cut/folded to fit inside cart)
- Cereal and cracker boxes (remove liners)
- Colored or construction paper
- Egg cartons cardboard
- Envelopes (plastic window OK)
- Frozen food packaging cardboard
- Gift wrap (non-metallic)
- Junk mail
- Magazines and catalogs
- Milk, juice & ice cream cartons clean
- Newspaper clean (including inserts)
- Pizza box tops (no grease)
- Shoe boxes
- Shredded paper (tie in clear plastic bag)
- White office paper

PLASTIC – Empty and rinse as appropriate

- Auto parts plastic (no fluids)
- Baskets and flower pots plastic (no black plastic)
- Bottles (e.g., beverage, laundry and household cleaners, personal care products, prescription)
- Buckets
- CDs and DVDs

(Plastic cont'd)

- Coat hangers plastic
- Crates plastic
- Food containers (e.g., yogurt)
- Furniture plastic (e.g., chairs, tables)
- Pet carriers plastic
- Shelving plastic
- Squeezable bottles (e.g., honey, mayo, ketchup)
- Swimming pools (e.g., rigid, inflatable)
- Take-out food containers plastic
- Toys (no batteries)

FILM PLASTICS – Bundle in clear plastic bag and knot top

- Bags (e.g., bread, dry clean, grocery, newspaper, produce, merchandise)
- Bubble wrap
- Case wrap (e.g., beverage container, snack flats)
- Pallet/shrink wrap



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ORGANICS

YARD TRIMMINGS

- Cactus
- Flax
- Flowers
- Grass clippings
- Hay
- Holiday trees (unflocked and with stand and decorations removed)
- Landscape vegetation
- Leaves
- Plant trimmings (no ivy, ice plant, palm fronds, yucca, or poison oak)
- Sawdust
- Seasonal pumpkins
- Shrubs
- Small pruning
- Sod (remove as much soil as possible)
- Stumps must not exceed 6" in diameter
- Succulents (no ice plant)
- Tree trimmings/branches cut to fit loosely in container

FOOD SCRAPS

- Bones, cooked meat and polutry
- Bread, dough
- Coffee grounds and filters
- Dairy products (no liquids)
- Eggshells
- Fish, shellfish
- Fruit, vegetables
- Grains, pasta

GARBAGE

PAPER

- Carbon paper
- Milk, juice & ice cream cartons soiled
- Newspaper soiled
- Napkins, paper towels, tissues
- Paper cups and plates
- Photographs photo paper & Polaroids
- Pizza delivery boxes soiled (bottoms)
- Stickers (in sheets or rolls)
- Take-out food containers paper
- Thermal fax paper
- Waxed paper, waxed cardboard

PLASTIC

- Coffee cup lids
- Compostable plastics
- Diapers disposable
- Disposable razors
- Gloves rubber & latex/single use
- Hoses (e.g., car, garden, appliance)
- Ink cartridges and toner
- Pipe PVC/Plastic
- Umbrellas plastic

MULTI-LAYERED MATERIALS

- Envelopes (e.g., paper padded, Tyvek)
- Foil beverage pouches
- Snack packaging (e.g., chip bags)
- Audio and video tapes

POLYSTYRENE/FOAMED PLASTIC

- Cups and plates foam
- Egg cartons molded foam
- Foam packing, packing peanuts
- Meat trays molded form
- Take-out food containers foam
- Coolers foam

FABRIC AND TEXTILES – Donate when possible

- Boots and shoes
- Clothing
- Diapers cloth
- Down-filled items, pillows
- Fabrics clean or soiled
- Luggage
- Stuffed animals

ORGANIC MATERIAL

- Food soiled cardboard and paper
- Ice Plant
- Ivy
- Palm Fronds
- Pet Waste
- Poison Oak
- Raw Meat
- Yucca

