# Recycling...

- can reduce your waste by 50 percent or more.
- conserves limited resources and energy in manufacturing.
- reduces air and water pollution.
- helps to keep garbage costs down.
- creates jobs.



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A Guide to Recycling In the White River Regional Solid Waste Management District

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# Recycling is easy!

## **Getting started**

Set aside an area in your home to collect the items listed on this page. A home collection center can be as simple as a cardboard box lined with a plastic bag. Keep paper items in a separate bag since they must be kept dry.

Contact your area recycling center for a list of items that can be recycled, and for recycling services in your area such as drop-off locations and hours of operation.

# Plastics (bottles only)

Most plastic bottles are recyclable. Examples include the following items:

- Clear & colored beverage bottles.
- Milk & juice jugs.
- Catsup & mayonnaise bottles.
- Liquid soap & detergent bottles.
- Lotion & shampoo bottles.
- Auto fluid, pesticide or herbicide bottles are not accepted.

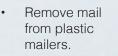
Remove lid, empty remaining contents and rinse clean. Do not replace lid. No butter or whipped topping lids or containers—**it must** have a neck to be a bottle.

## Aluminum & tin cans

- Household beverage and food cans must be emptied and rinsed clean.
- Metal lids can be dropped into the opened can. Labels do not need to be removed. No gas cans, wet paint cans or aerosol cans.

#### Paper & cardboard

Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, phone books, junk mail and white paper can be recycled.



- Construction or dark paper is not accepted.
- No contaminants (food, glue, gum, etc.).
- Wet paper cannot be recycled.

Flattened corrugated cardboard boxes and pizza boxes are accepted. No waxed, frozen food or beverage cartons. Cardboard can be taken wet or dry!

## **Other items**

- **Plastic bags**: Take them back to major chains like Walmart, Kroger, J.C. Penney. Use as can liners or to sack recyclables.
- Electronic waste: Contact your local recycling center, or the White River Regional Solid Waste Management District.



**Batteries**: Electronics stores like Radio Shack,

Staples and Walmart usually accept some battery types. Better yet, use rechargeables!

- Used motor oil: Return it back where you got it—Auto Zone, Advance Auto Parts, O'Reilly and Walmart all accept oil.
- **Fluorescent lights**: Contact local lighting/ electrical stores. Buy from a store that will accept your old bulbs.

## **Glass containers**

Remove food and beverage contents. All colors are accepted, with or without labels. Bottles and jars only. No plate glass, mirrors, Pyrex, Corning, ceramics or dishes.



(Glass is not accepted at all recycling centers)

## Recycling...

may be the most important thing we will ever do as individuals to make a positive difference in the quality of our natural environment.



• is a wonderful way to teach young people about taking care of the environment.



## Set the right example!

Let children be a part of your recycling team!

