



Recycle!



Fairfax County code requires all businesses to recycle mixed paper and cardboard. In addition to these basic materials, your establishment may benefit from recycling aluminum, steel, and beverage containers.

Cardboard Recycling

- Encourage your staff to break down boxes before putting them in the recycling dumpster.
- Keep it as dry as possible. This helps ensure the cardboard does not become contaminated or wet.



Plastic

- Check with your recycling collector to make sure you understand the types of recyclable plastic accepted.

Mixed Paper

- Newspaper, office paper, junk mail, paper board, paper bags - any clean paper that tears.
- Cartons (milk, juice, wine, etc.) can be recycled
- No napkins, tissues, wax paper



Other Materials



Glass & Metal

- Recycle glass bottles and jars, and metal food and beverage containers
- Some metal recyclers will pick up larger amounts of used pots, pans, appliances, and scrap metals
- You may also be able to include metal with your single stream recycling. Talk with your trash collector. You can also take metal to one of Fairfax County's recycling drop off centers on West Ox Road in Fairfax or Furnace Road in Lorton.
- Aluminum foil and trays are only recyclable if they are not contaminated with baked-on food waste

Electronics, Batteries, & Fluorescent Light Bulbs

- Recycle electronic equipment (computers, televisions, etc.) through an accredited recycler.
- Fluorescent bulbs contain a small amount of mercury and must be handled with care. Learn more about how to recycle them at the EPA's CFL page (<http://www2.epa.gov/cfl>)
- Visit Call2Recycle.org to learn how to recycle rechargeable batteries.
- Visit knowtoxics.com to find out how to recycle many types of hazardous material.

