

Recycling is Easy!



Whether you use a wheeled cart or a bin, follow these easy guidelines.



Refer to this handy flyer all year long

The city of Galesburg and Waste Management encourages residents to recycle because it helps to conserve natural resources, preserves our environment, and reduces fees paid to the landfill. All items to be recycled can be placed loose in your recycling cart or bin. This is a co-mingled program; the separation takes place at the recycling sorting center.



NEWSPAPERS - All Newspapers, plus any inserts from inside the newspapers are acceptable.



MIXED PAPER PRODUCTS - Most other types of paper may be recycled as long as they are not contaminated with food or packing material liners. This can include: cardboard boxes that are flattened and cut down to 2 ½' by 4' or less, and chipboard boxes, including cereal and shoe boxes. Also included are paper tubes, magazines, telephone books, paper grocery bags, white paper and junk mail. Shredded paper may be recycled by placing it in a paper grocery bag and stapling it closed.



GLASS - Food and beverage containers only. They must be free of food contamination. Paper labels do not have to be removed. Does NOT include – window glass, dishes, glasses, ceramics, Pyrex, crystal, light bulbs and broken glass.



PLASTICS - Any plastic food, drink, or detergent containers labeled with a #1 thru #7 (except #6) may be recycled. This includes milk and water jugs, laundry and household detergent bottles, and one- and two-liter beverage containers. Again, no food residue. Labels do not have to be removed. Check the bottom of the rigid household containers for the recycling triangle and number.



ALUMINUM - All beverage containers



STEEL CANS - All steel and other metal cans that food or drink came in, free of food contamination. Paper labels do not need to be removed.

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS FOR CURBSIDE PROGRAM

- Plastic Toys
- Motor Oil/Anti-freeze Containers
- Hypodermic Needles
- Food and Liquids
- Plastic Bags
- Other Plastic Wrap and Film (garbage bags, beverage case stretch wrap)