



# Town of Barrington Smart Recycling Guide

## Here is what you can recycle!

If it is not on this list, it needs to go in your household trash!



### CARDBOARD

(should be dry and free of food/grease, please flatten, pieces should be no bigger than 3' X 3' pieces and remove all Styrofoam, packing material and plastic film)



### Plastics #1, #2 and #5

(rinsed and free of liquid)  
(no rigid plastics, chairs, toys, storage totes)



### Aluminum Cans

(rinsed and free of liquid)



### Steel/Tin Cans

(rinsed and free of food and liquids)



### MIXED PAPER

includes magazines, paperback and coverless hard cover books

(remove plastic film or packing and flatten packaging when possible, also needs to be free of food)



### Glass

(beverage, and food jars only, lids removed, rinsed and free of food and liquids)

# WHY REDUCING CONTAMINATION MATTERS

- **Degrading material values** – Contamination will degrade the quality of the recyclables, which in turn lessens their market value and may even render baled materials unmarketable.
- **Reducing recycling rates** – Contamination can cause materials that would otherwise be recycled to be landfilled. For instance, bottles and cans can get lodged in film wrap or plastic bags and will end up landfilled instead of sorted.
- **Breaking recycling machinery** – Not all recycling machinery is equipped to take all types of material. Some items, like plastic film/bags, can jam up sorting equipment if it is put in the recycling container.
- **Causing safety hazards for recycling workers** – Some materials need to be collected a certain way due to safety concerns for recycling workers. For instance, medical or electronic waste can be a very dangerous contaminant if it is added to the recycling container.

**Please double check your recyclables Many items you would think belong in your recycling bin, but don't. Putting them in does more harm than good. Not sure? when in doubt, throw it out or check out the Recyclopeda at <https://recyclesmartma.org/smart-recycling-guide/>**

**NO!**



**Do Not Bag  
Recyclables**



**No Plastic Bags  
or Plastic Wrap  
(return to retail)**



**No Food or Liquids  
(empty all  
containers)**



**No Clothing  
or Shoes  
(use donation  
programs)**



**No Tangles  
(no hoses,  
wires, chains,  
or electronics)**

- **Plastic Bags or Film Wrap**
- **Plastic or Paper Cups/Plates**
- **Cup Lids/Straws**
- **Food/Plastic Utensils**
- **Chip/Candy Wrappers**
- **Juice/Food Pouches**

- **Napkins/Paper Towels/Tissue**
- **Diapers/Wipes**
- **Cords/Hoses/Hangers**
- **Batteries/Electronics**
- **Sharps (needles)**
- **Textiles/Shoes**

**Barrington Transfer Station and Recycling Center**  
224 Smoke Street, Barrington NH 03825 Phone:  
664-2446

**Winter Hours:**

Tuesday: 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Summer Hours:**

Tuesday: 1:00pm to 6:00pm

Thursday: 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Saturday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Website: <https://www.barrington.nh.gov/transfer-stationrecycling-center>

Email: [Transfer@barrington.nh.gov](mailto:Transfer@barrington.nh.gov)

Recycling information and the Recyclopeda: <https://recyclesmartma.org/>

