

THE FOLLOWING CAN NOT BE RECYCLED IN NEW ORLEANS:

- NO GLASS
- NO PLASTIC BAGS
- NO PLASTIC CUPS
- NO SMALL PLASTICS, LIDS, OR, UTENCILS
- NO COFFEE CUPS
- NO PIZZA BOXES
- NO FOOD OR FOOD NO CONTAINORS
- NO WAXBOARD\*
- NO STYROFOAM



Avoid recycling these items even if you think are recyclable. Contaminated materials can cause recycling to be landfilled.

\*Waxboard: Cardboard coated with wax - juice boxes, milk cartons, etc ARE NOT RECYCLEABLE

# WHAT CAN I RECYCLE?

## WHY IS SORTING RECYCLING SO IMPORTANT?

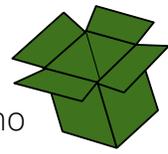
### 1 HARD PLASTIC



ALL Rinsed prior to recycling  
Plastic 1: empty bottles  
Plastic 2: milk, juice, shampoo, detergent

### 2 CARDBOARD

Clean and folded, with no paper/plastic inside



\*Look for cardboard recycling station in Res Hall Lobbies



### 3 PAPER

Remove plastic covers, rubber bands, or ties

AND

### CANS



ALL Rinsed prior to recycling  
Aluminum cans and metals



~All materials must be clean & food free! ~

**DO NOT RECYCLE ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE MATERIALS LISTED ABOVE.**

**Contamination jeopardizes the safety of Material Recovery Facility (MRF) Workers.**

**Recycling is mostly sorted by hand.** Contaminants (needles, diapers, glass, batteries) can release dangerous fumes and endanger MRF workers. Materials like hoses, plastic bags, and clothing can get stuck in the machines. Turning machines on and off to unclog them is dangerous and can cause serious injury.



**Contamination is EXPENSIVE.** Recycling facilities normally operate at a loss.

Contaminants reduce the quality and price of recycled products. MRFs must pay to have trash, which can be around 25-30% of collections, sorted and hauled, Contaminants delay the recycling process leading to longer workdays and more overhead spending.



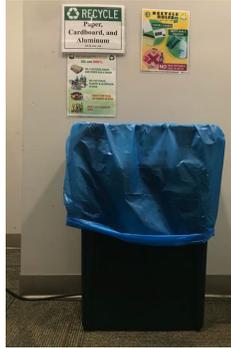
**Contamination lowers recycling rates.** Recycling facilities are closing everywhere.

Contaminated recycling often has to be thrown away. Without enough clean recycling, MRFs shut down due to low profits. Contamination is one of the main reasons China stopped accepting recycling from certain countries, leading to lower recycling rates globally.

**AFTER REDUCING & REUSING,**

**PLEASE RECYCLE!**

Recycling bins are located in almost 30 buildings on campus.



**Look out for cardboard-only recycling receptacles in the lobbies of each Res Hall .**

Cardboard must be broken-down, plastic free, and clean! No pizza boxes.



**CARDBOARD IS COLLECTED AND BALED ON CAMPUS**

Only recycle clean, food/grease free materials. Avoid throwing away small plastics and keep tops on water bottles. Please break down cardboard.



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