

RECYCLING GUIDELINES

These single-stream recycling guidelines apply to households, businesses, schools and institutions.

For questions, contact Kane County Recycling Coordinator at recycle@countyofkane.org or 630-208-3841.

For service issues, please contact either your hauler or your city directly.

Recycle Paper & Containers in your curbside collection cart (*loose; not bagged*):



Paper

Office paper, newspaper, magazines, and flattened cardboard.



Glass

Bottles and jars.
Empty and rinse.



Cartons

Food and beverage cartons. *Empty, rinse, and replace cap.*



Plastic

Plastic bottles, tubs, jugs, and jars. *Empty, rinse, and replace cap.*



Metal

Aluminum and steel beverage/food cans. *Empty and rinse.*

NEW Guidelines Poster
that you can hang above recycling bins!

Do NOT include in your recycling cart:



NO plastic bags or soft plastic film

Recycle clean, dry, empty bags at grocery stores. *Find a recycling site at plasticfilmrecycling.org.*



NO shredded paper

Shredded paper causes major problems at sorting facilities. *Best Practice is to tear off the confidential portion, and recycle the rest of the sheet whole. OR save it and bring it to a Shred Event (see pg 2).*



NO propane tanks, medical waste

No pressurized containers or medical waste like needles or syringes (see HHW p. 4-5).



NO food waste or liquids

Compost instead.



Pizza boxes

If the box top is clean you can tear it off and recycle it. *Bottoms (or tops) with ANY grease, cheese or food on them go in the trash.*



NO cups, lids or straws

No take-away cups (plastic, paper, or foam), no plastic lids, no straws. *These all go in the trash.*



NO foam

Block packaging, cups, and containers. *Take to Dart Container Corp (see A-Z list p. 8-10).*



NO Tanglers

No cords, hoses, hangers, wires, string, etc. which get caught in the sorting machinery and cause problems. *These go in the trash.*



NO candy wrappers or snack bags

Candy wrappers and chip bags are made of plastic that is not recyclable. *These all go in the trash.*



NO frozen food boxes

They are made of a hybrid of wet-strength paper and plastic that is not recyclable. *These all go in the trash.*

Your actions make a difference!

Recycle Right.

