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Deciphering Recycling Symbols



Your takeout container for that delicious enchilada has a #6 recycle symbol on it -- that means it's recyclable, right? Not necessarily.

The "chasing arrows" symbol  is commonly thought of as a "recycling symbol" and many believe that the presence of one on a plastic item indicates it is recyclable, but that's not exactly true.

The numbering system was designed for the plastic industry to identify the type of plastic the product is made from. This number helps the recycling facility sort the various types of plastic into groups. Some are readily recyclable, but others are not.



#1 PET or PETE is commonly used for soda and water bottles, mouthwash bottles, etc. and is widely recyclable. GreenWaste Recovery accepts these items for recycling in your curbside program.



#2 HDPE or PE-HD comes in many colors and is used for containers like milk and juice jugs, laundry detergent and shampoo bottles. HDPE materials can be recycled easily into new plastic products. GreenWaste Recovery accepts these items for recycling

in your curbside program.

From there, it gets a little more complicated (and less recyclable). With any product for recycling, there must be a demand for the product and a way to use that material to create a new product.



#3 PVC, #4 LDPE or PE-LE and #5 PP have limited recyclability. This means not all products labeled with these symbols are accepted in your blue cart, but some of them are. All plastic bottles and containers labeled #3-#5, along with some "rigid plastics" such as plastic ice chests, laundry baskets and hangers are currently accepted in your GreenWaste Recovery curbside recycling program.



#6 EPS and #7, #6 is often referred to as Styrofoam™ and is used for products such as packing peanuts and blocks. Symbols labeled with a #7 are considered "other" plastics. #6-7 plastics are not accepted in your GreenWaste Recovery curbside recycling program. Place these items in your trash cart.

To be safe, think #1-5 for your curbside recycling program; clean and dry items before placing in your cart. Recycling is everchanging, so it's easy to feel confused. If you aren't sure about an item, use the What Goes Where? Recycling App for the most up to date information.



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HOLIDAY REMINDER

GreenWaste Recovery will provide regular collection services on the following holidays:
Memorial Day, Monday May 27, 2019 🌐 **Independence Day, Thursday July 4, 2019**
Please set out your carts on your regular collection day by 6:00AM.

How Do Seasonal Changes Impact Your Business?

Does your business have a busy season? For many businesses, this may mean increasing supply orders, hiring additional staff, or generating more recycling, trash, and food waste each week. Start preparing early! Getting your services dialed in for busy season could help prevent untimely service interruptions.

GreenWaste Recovery would like to help make your seasonal preparation easy. Call us for assistance with the following services.

Technical Assistance:

As summer approaches let us monitor your waste generation for you. Our experienced staff can advise you on service recommendations to help manage the influx of seasonal waste without experiencing overfilled containers.

Seasonal Service Adjustments:

If your business generates more trash, recycling or food waste during the busy season, you may need to adjust your service levels. Call us to schedule service adjustments that meet your seasonal needs.



Training:

Our Environmental Outreach Coordinators are available to provide training for your existing or new seasonal staff to help you get the most out of your services.

On Property Service:

Are your carts particularly difficult to service? Call Customer Service and ask about service options to remove the step of having to wheel your containers out to the curb and back.

