

Plastics #4: LDPE Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE)

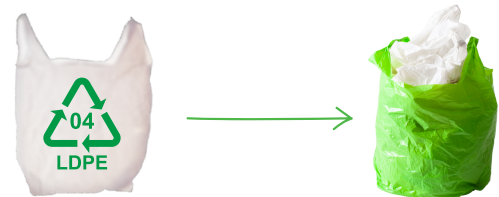
LDPE is a lightweight and durable plastic that can either be translucent or opaque. It is commonly used for food cling wrap, lids for various containers and many disposable plastics like single-use plastic bags. Plastic bags made from LDPE reduce our ability to recover valuable materials from the recycling stream. At the GreenWaste San Jose Material Recovery Facility, plastic bags are recovered only when they are bundled inside a bag from your blue recycling cart. When bags are not bundled, they get tangled up in the processing equipment, making it difficult to capture and recycle.

What Can You Do?

1. Invest in reusable bags and bring it with you every time you shop.



2. Bundle your single-use plastic bags inside another plastic bag before placing them inside your blue recyclables cart to ensure that they'll be recycled.



Proper Sorting of Cardboard Inside Your Blue Cart

- Keep recyclable materials clean and dry
- Break down cardboard so it fits loosely inside the cart
- Completely close the cart lid



Upcoming Holidays

GreenWaste **will** be providing regular collection service on the following holidays. Please remember to set out your containers on your regular collection day for service.



Clean Up Event

Your next Clean Up Event is Saturday, August 24th, 2024. Be on the lookout for your postcard with more details.

Rate Increase Reminder

Keep an eye out for a rate increase notification in your next quarterly invoice.

