

Recycling Tips

Lafayette Consolidated Government - Environmental Quality Division

Four materials that LCG Recycles: Paper, Plastic, Aluminum, and Glass

PAPER

- Paper has a limited amount of times it can be recycled
 - Paper items that can be recycled: newspapers, magazines, phone books, catalogs, cereal/soft drink boxes, and writing paper
 - Cardboard boxes can be recycled: Remove tape or staples from the bottom of boxes, and flatten following the seams of the box. Lay the flat boxes on the ground and place recycling bins on top of the cardboard.
- Nothing soiled can be recycled. Example: a used pizza box with cheese.
- Nothing waxed can be recycled. Example: ½ gallon paper/wax milk carton.
- Paper towels, napkins, etc. are **NOT** recyclable.
- Splenda, Equal, and other sugar packets are recyclable.

PLASTIC

- All recyclable plastics with the #1-7 on the bottom are recyclable.
- Styrofoam is **NOT** recyclable.
- Plastic shopping bags can **NOT** be recycled through the curbside collection system. Several grocery stores like Wal-Mart and Albertsons have a box at the door to collect and recycle plastic bags.
 - Many states are banning the use of plastic shopping bags. Various grocery stores are starting to offer discounts for supplying your own shopping bags (Target).
- Plastic coke can rings from 6-packs, coffee stir sticks, and bags that newspapers come in are **NOT** recyclable.
- Creamer cups are recyclable.

ALUMINUM

- Cans should be rinsed by the consumer before recycling.
- Aluminum foil and pie pans are **NOT** recyclable.
- Tin/Steel Cans: Food and beverage cans, rinse and recycle.
 - All labels can be kept on the recycled product. For example soup cans and bottled water can be recycled with the label.

GLASS

- Food and beverage bottles and jars can be recycled...all colors. Rinse and throw away the tops.

- Light bulbs, plates, drinking glasses, window pane glass, coffee mugs, ashtrays, and vases are **NOT** recyclable.

Other materials that LCG Recycles: Tires, batteries, appliances, etc...

TIRES

- Colt Industry recycles tires for free. Located at 1223 Delhomme Avenue in Scott (hours are Mon.-Fr., 8am-5pm.)
 - There is a limit of five tires per customer, per day.
 - Tires from cars, trucks, motorcycles, ATVs, golf carts, 18-wheelers, or any “specialty” tires up to 500 lbs. can be dropped off.

BATTERIES

- All types of batteries can be brought to Batteries Plus to be recycled.
 - They are located at 3000 Johnston Street (next to All Seasons Nursery).

APPLIANCES, ELECTRONICS AND OTHER ITEMS

- Appliances, basketball goals, etc. can be sold to a scrap yard rather than putting them in the trash.
- Electronics should be recycled. Some companies like Best Buy or Office Depot accept and recycle electronics.
- MAC and Origins take used make-up containers and recycle them.