What can I put in my recycling bin and how should it be prepared?

## **Plastic Bottles & Containers**

# 1,2, & 5 only
Rinse containers
Bottles must be empty
Lids can be left on

#### Food & Beverage Cans

Rinse cans Paper may stay on cans Clean aluminum pans and foil

#### Paper

Includes newspapers, ads, mail, phone books, magazines (Bigger pieces of paper are preferred)

# Flattened cardboard & paperboard

Includes cardboard egg cartons Cut cardboard to 2'x2' pieces to allow bin lid to close and keep paper dry

#### **Glass Bottles & Containers**

Rinse containers Bottles must be empty Remove lids

EMPTY YOUR
RECYCLABLES
DIRECTLY INTO
YOUR BIN.

DO NOT BAG!



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## Recycling: Beyond the Green Bin

Learning the dos and don'ts of recycling is the right thing to do. Recycling goes a long way in keeping trash out of landfills. We can do better. The ultimate goal is less waste.

## Along with Recycling Right, **Refuse, Reuse, Reduce.**

Refuse the straw, plastic bag, the receipt, the bottle of water and other one use items.

Rethink disposables, especially plastics such as razors, plates, cutlery, cups, and paper towels. Instead bring your own reusable straw, water bottle, mug, lunch containers, take home containers and shopping bags.

Reduce the amount of unwanted mail you get. Opt out of catalogs and other junk mail. Shred less, recycle more.

Reduce the amount of packaging you buy and look for packaging that contains recycled content or plastic packaging that is #1,2, or 5.

Use your own creativity and imagination to make a difference; generate less trash.



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## **RECYCLE RIGHT!**

Helpful information provided by Sustain Fond du Lac subcommittee on Recycling.

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- What can I put in my recycling bin?
- How should recycling be prepared?
- What is NOT recyclable?
- Where can I take items that are recyclable, but should not be put in my recycling bin?
- Hints for reducing, reusing, and then recycling.

## YES! OUR ACTIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Find this brochure on the City of Fond du Lac website:

www.fdl.wi.gov/public-works/solid-waste/ collection/recycling-collection/

or at www.sustainfdl.org

# Do not put these items in your recycling bin.

Ammunition/old Weapons Anti-Freeze **Appliances** Automotive/ Vehicle Fluids **Ballasts and Batteries Bulbs** Car Parts Carpet and Carpet Padding CDs and DVDs Cleaning or Acid Products Christmas Trees Concrete Construction Debris **Electronics and Circuit Boards** Equipment, House and Yard Fertilizer, Pesticides, Herbicides, etc. **Furniture** Garden and Yard Waste and Leaves Gasoline Hazardous Waste Mattresses/Box Springs Medical: Pills, Needles Oil, Oil Filters Paint Products Plastic Bags Propane Tanks String/Holiday Lights Tires

For details See: https://www.fdl.wi.gov/public-works/where-to-dispose-of

Look for the "how 2 recycle" Information now frequently found on packaging materials.



## Where to dispose of recycable materials in the City of Fond du Lac that should not go in your recycling bin...

## **Appliances & Electronics**

Marcoe's Recycling, 232 Morris St., Sadoff Iron & Metal Recycling Center, 240 W. Arndt St., What Not Shoppe, 51 N. Main St., Annual City Collection\*, See www.fdl.wi.gov

#### **Auto Parts & Scrap Metal**

Marcoe's Recycling, 232 Morris St. Sadoff Iron & Metal Recycling Center, 240 W. Arndt St.

#### Batteries & Bulbs (may be a charge)

Batteries Plus, 1173 W. Johnson St., Riley Electrical Supply, 659 S. Hickory St., Sadoff Iron & Metal Recycling Center, 240 W. Arndt St. (not bulbs) Northern Battery, 602 Iowa Ct., NFDL

#### Bubble Wrap, Styrofoam Packing Material

UPS, 114 S. Main St. (no packing peanuts)

## **Bulky Waste**

non-hazardous items only, Municipal Service Center\*, 490 Doty St. See www.fdl.wi.gov

#### Clean & Dry Single-Use Plastic Bags

Festival Foods, Kohls, Pick n Save, Piggly Wiggly, Target, and Walmart. Includes grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap (paper towel/bathroom tissue), dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, zip-top and other reusable bags (remove zippers), produce bags, salt bags, & cereal bags.

All materials must be clean, dry & free of food residuals

#### **Clothing & Furniture**

Goodwill, 904 S. Main St., Salvation Army Thrift Shop, 79 W. Pioneer Rd., St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 330 N. Peters Ave., Second Impressions Thrift Store, 325 Winnebago Dr.

#### **Hazardous Waste**

Annual FDL County Clean Sweep Event, see www.fdlco.wi.gov Annual City Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off\*, see www.fdl.wi.gov

#### Holiday Lights (and coated wire)

Marcoe's, 232 Morris Circle (wire only, remove bulbs), Goodwill, 904 S. Main, Sadoff Iron & Metal Recycling Center, 240 W. Arndt St.

#### **Medical Waste - Sharps**

Registered sharps collection stations: https://wisconsindnr.shinyapps.io/sharpscollectorsite/

#### **Polystyrene**

Atlas Molded Products, 90 Trowbridge Dr., Small amounts such as coolers & shells from appliances, clear of tape and labels. Drop off shed in parking lot for households. Businesses make appointment for large amounts. See www.atlasmoldedproducts.com

#### **Shredded Paper**

There is no local site for recycling shredded paper. Think carefully about what you need to shred.

#### **Waste Oil**

Drop off REGULAR OIL ONLY, free of charge at Municipal Service Center\*, 490 Doty St.

## Yard Waste & Brush (Green Waste)

Just North of Municipal Service Center\*, 530 Doty St. See www.fdl.wi.gov

\*City services are for City residents only

DON'T "*WISH*-cycle" WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT.