







What can I put in my recycling bin?

Items should always be: **clean, dry and loose**

	✓ Yes please	✗ No thanks
Dry	 paper & card <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junk mail • Cereal & egg boxes • Newspapers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone directories • Catalogues & magazines
	 foil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean takeaway containers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tin foil
	 glass bottles & jars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wine bottles • Beer bottles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jam jars • Sauce jars
Clean	 metal cans & aerosols <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food cans • Drink cans • Pet food cans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty hairspray & deodorant aerosols
	 cartons <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fruit juice cartons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soup cartons • Milk cartons
	 plastic bottles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drink bottles • Milk bottles • Shampoo bottles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detergent liquid bottles • Washing-up liquid bottles
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shredded paper • Paper towels • Pet food pouches • Crisp packets • Pyrex[®] • Drinking glasses & crockery • Batteries • Electrical items • Plastic bags • Plastic bottle tops • Plastic containers

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Frequently Asked Questions

Why can't I recycle other plastic items like food trays and yoghurt pots?

After your recycling has been sorted at a specialised sorting plant in Ford, the materials are delivered to manufacturers to be recycled into new goods. There are no secure or sustainable markets for non bottle shaped plastics (such as yoghurt pots and food trays). Until secure and sustainable markets are established, we CANNOT accept other types of plastic items for recycling.

Remember: In West Sussex we can only recycle plastic bottles.

Can I put my recyclable items in a plastic bag?

No. Please do not put your recycling in plastic bags before putting them in your recycling bin. The sorting machinery is unable to tear open plastic bags. Please place your recycling in your bin: clean, dry and loose (not in bags or boxes).

Why does my recycling have to be kept dry?

It is important that your recycling is kept dry and your recycling bin lid is kept closed. Please place all items placed in your recycling bin dry, please ensure no wet paper goes in your recycling bin and that all your cans and bottles are empty first. If your recycling gets wet, the paper and cardboard will become soggy and will not be able to be recycled. Also during the sorting process wet paper and cardboard will stick to the machinery and clog up the system. Glass will also stick to the wet paper and cardboard meaning the paper and cardboard cannot be recycled.



Should I remove my plastic bottle lids before putting the bottle in my recycling bin?

Yes. Please remove the lid before putting your plastic bottle in the recycling bin. If lids are left on the bottle, this can cause problems when sorting and separating your recycling. Plastic bottle lids, even if is the same type of plastic, should be placed in your rubbish bin.

Why do I have to clean my items before putting them in the recycling bin?

All items put in your recycling bin should be clean, a quick rinse will do. Items that have left over food on them or liquid in them can ruin the quality of the other recycling put in your recycling bin. This can then ruin the rest of the recycling in the recycling lorries and at the sorting plant. Items that are covered with leftover food cannot be recycled.

