



New York City Recycling Code: 16 RCNY §1-10

## WHAT MUST BE RECYCLED

All businesses are required to recycle paper, cardboard, plastics and metals.



### Cardboard & Paperboard

corrugated boxes  
egg crates  
shoe boxes  
cereal boxes



### Newspapers & Catalogs

newspaper  
magazines  
catalogs  
telephone books



### Non-Coated Paper

white & colored paper  
folders  
junk mail  
shredded paper



### Plastic Containers & Bottles

containers #1 - 7  
bottles, jars, jugs  
rigid plastic caps/lids



### Metal Materials

aluminum  
steel  
empty cans  
aerosol cans



### Glass Containers

jars  
bottles



## ORGANICS

Your business may be required to comply with NYC's Commercial Organics Law (Local Law 146).

Establishments that may be required to comply include:

- Food Service Establishments
- Retail Food Stores
- Food Preparation Locations
- Catering Establishments
- Temporary Public Events
- Arenas & Stadiums
- Food Manufacturers
- Food Wholesalers

We offer organics recycling to all businesses looking to improve their diversion rates.

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## A FEW MORE COMPLIANCE BASICS:

IWS & Action have over 20 years experience collecting and processing waste and recycling in New York City. We've outlined some compliance basics here, but encourage all customers to visit [nyc.gov/sanitation](http://nyc.gov/sanitation) to learn more about all of their compliance obligations in New York City. If you have any questions, call us! 1-866-DIAL-IWS

In New York City, all businesses are required to recycle paper, cardboard, plastics and metals. Furthermore, businesses must (to the best of their knowledge) hire a carter that properly handles recyclable materials.

Recycling plans must comply with one of the following recycling collection methods:

- source-separated
- co-collection
- single stream

Co-mingling recyclables and waste in the same container is prohibited.

You must post your waste and recycling carters decal(s) in a window or somewhere visible from outside your location. The decal should indicate which materials your carter collects; for recycling collection, the decal must also indicate the method of collection.

For curbside service in NYC, properly prepare waste and recyclables for collection (securely tied bags or covered bins) and leave out for collection within your designated pickup time. For Action customers, your collection occurs overnight between the hours of 7pm - 7am.

Property owners and building management must notify tenants of their recycling and waste management policies annually, and must be able to provide proof of this notification upon request.

All collection containers must be labeled with their designated materials.

Recyclables must be collected separately.

Maintain signage in both public collection and storage areas describing how recyclables and waste is collected and separated.

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## UNIVERSAL WASTE

Batteries, electric lamps and mercury containing devices can not be disposed with your regular waste. Contact us to learn more about our universal recycling program.



## ELECTRONICS

It is illegal to dispose of electronic devices with your regular waste. We have electronics recycling programs to help you dispose of your old electronic devices.

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