

## **PAPER**



All paper, including newspapers, shoppers with inserts and magazines is recyclable. Shredded paper must be bagged separately from other

loose paper such as junk mail.

Newspapers and shoppers with inserts should be placed in sacks or bundled with twine or string for pick up. Please bundle or sack magazines separately from newspapers and shoppers. Place in red barrel for collection on your scheduled day.

Please do not set cardboard or paper products out for collection during wet weather. These items are not usable if they become wet and will be taken to the landfill.

## **METAL/TIN CANS AND JAR LIDS**

Empty metal/tin cans which contained food or beverages and metal jar lids will be accepted. Containers must be rinsed and labels removed. Please place metal/tin cans and jar lids in a plastic/paper bag or corrugated cardboard box to separate them from other items in the recycling container.

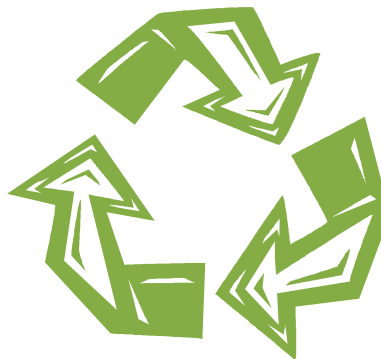
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Recycling Program ...  
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# **RECYCLING PROGRAM**



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Items collected by the city's recycling contractor include plastics, corrugated cardboard, metal/tin cans, metal jar lids, newspaper, and magazines .

### **FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS TO BEGIN RECYCLING**

The City of Estherville will provide a 20 gallon plastic recycling container to every single-family household wishing to participate in our residential recycling program when utility services are obtained. Please write your address on the bottom in magic marker so the container can be returned to you if blown down the street by strong winds.

Recyclable plastics, newspapers, magazines, cardboard, metal/tin cans and metal jar lids will be picked up at the curb on the same day as your regular solid waste bags are picked up.

A different crew will pick up recyclable materials. After the recycling container is emptied by our contractor, the container will be returned to the curb and placed upside-down on the parking.

Please do not store your recycling containers on the parking between pick up days.

You may participate each week if you like, but don't feel obligated to set your collection container out every week. If it takes two or three weeks to fill your container, participate once every two or three weeks.

**The City will only collect recyclable plastics, cardboard, newspapers, magazines, tin/metal cans and metal jar lids at the curb. .**

### **PLASTICS**



To determine whether a plastic item is recyclable, look for the recycling symbol .

It is generally on the bottom of the item. There are only certain plastics the city is accepting at this time. Only items marked with a number 1 or 2 inside (or near) the recycling symbol can be accepted. In some cases, the recycling symbol will contain higher numbers, such as 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7. These items will not be accepted at this time.

Milk jugs, dishwashing soap bottles (ie. Dawn/Joy), detergent bottles (ie. Tide/Era) shampoo and conditioner, fabric softener bottles (ie. Downy/Snuggle), juice bottles, over the counter medication containers, tub margarine or whipped topping containers. Plastic pop bottles are also recyclable.

**All plastic recyclable items must be rinsed out, drained, and have lids removed.** Please step on plastic milk jugs to save space.

Look on the bottom of the item for the recycling symbol and the #1 or #2.

A container without that number will not be accepted.

The following list are some examples of plastics that are NOT accepted.

Home health & medical equipment, Tupperware, plastic bags, plastic toys, floor mats, prescription bottles/containers, syrup bottles, glue bottles and honey containers. Motor oil bottles are not acceptable because the oil contaminates the other recyclable items.

### **CARDBOARD**

All cardboard (corrugated & non-corrugated) is acceptable. This includes single layer cardboard boxes such as cereal, pop, beer and similar containers.

All cardboard must be clean and free of cellophane, food, grease, etc. Clean pizza boxes are acceptable. Place cardboard in the red barrel at curbside. Bigger boxes can be broken down and placed under the red barrel.

