

Okaloosa County News Release

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Recycling Just Got Easier for Okaloosa County Residents

Starting on **November 17**, residents in unincorporated Okaloosa County and municipalities serviced by Waste Management can take advantage of an improved recycling program in which curbside sorting is **not** necessary. There is more good news – Waste Management's **Single Stream Recycling** won't increase costs to residents and additional items will be collected.

Items that can be recycled include aluminum, steel (tin) cans, glass, paper and plastics, including plastics with numbers 1 through 7 on containers. Additionally, cardboard boxes and paper board boxes (like cereal boxes), and paper items, including newspapers and inserts, magazines, mail and even phone books will be picked up.

Waste Management (WM) and their subsidiary Waste Management Recycle America (WMRA) is the leader in recycling innovation. Single Stream Recycling has increased recycling rates and recyclable household yields an average of 30 percent. We can do better!

Look in your water bills for a detailed flier or visit the Okaloosa County web site at www.okaloosaf1.com, call Waste Management, 862-7141. The Single Stream Recycling Program is also being extended to commercial businesses and businesses interested in signing up should call 862-7141.

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NEW: Single Stream Recycling Program

EASY: COLLECTION ONLY – NO SORTING!

AVAILABLE: In your community!

WASTE MANAGEMENT: Collects AND Sorts your Recycling!

COLLECT: Aluminum, Steel, Glass, Plastics, Cartons, Paper

STARTS: Nov. 17 in your community!

WHICH: Households in unincorporated franchised areas of Okaloosa County

WHAT: See Table on next page for details!

INFO: <http://www.recycleamerica.com/>, or call 850-862-7141



THE "YES AND NO" OF WHAT CAN GO IN THE RECYCLING CONTAINERS STARTING NOVEMBER 17, 2008 –
IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL WASTE MANAGEMENT AT 862-7141.



| ACCEPTABLE | UNACCEPTABLE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p align="center">Aluminum <i>Empty and rinse.</i></p> <p>➤ Cans</p> | <p>Siding scrap foil-wrapped beverage pouches</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p align="center">Steel (tin) cans <i>Empty and rinse. Labels do not need to be removed.</i></p> <p>➤ Food and beverage cans ➤ Pet food cans ➤ Aerosol spray cans</p> | <table border="0"> <tr> <td>hangers</td> <td>toys</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>scrap metal</td> <td>appliances</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>paint cans</td> <td>pipes</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>car parts</td> <td>pots & pans</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>fuel tanks</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> </table> | | | | hangers | toys | | | scrap metal | appliances | | | paint cans | pipes | | | car parts | pots & pans | | | | fuel tanks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p align="center">Plastics <i>Empty and Rinse</i></p> <p>➤ Plastics marked 1 thru 7 that are not listed as unacceptable ➤ Food containers: cooking oil, condiments, peanut butter ➤ Beverage bottles and jugs: soda, water, juice, milk ➤ Detergent bottles ➤ Personal care bottles: shampoo, soap, conditioner</p> | <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Styrofoam (polystyrene)</td> <td>egg cartons</td> <td colspan="2">bottles that contained motor oil, anti-freeze, pesticides, pool chemicals or other hazardous substances</td> </tr> <tr> <td>take-out food containers</td> <td>medicine & pill bottles</td> <td colspan="2">curbside/other plastic bins</td> </tr> <tr> <td>cups, plates, utensils, straws</td> <td>"packing" peanuts</td> <td colspan="2">dry cleaner/garment bags</td> </tr> <tr> <td>bags - return to store</td> <td>foam packing</td> <td colspan="2">indoor/outdoor/patio furniture</td> </tr> <tr> <td>plastic wrap/sheeting</td> <td>packaging of any kind</td> <td colspan="2">swimming pools</td> </tr> <tr> <td>cartons/trays (berry containers, cookie trays)</td> <td>clothes baskets</td> <td colspan="2">hoses; PVC piping or tubing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>liners from food packaging</td> <td>toys</td> <td colspan="2">containers bigger than 2 gallons</td> </tr> <tr> <td>cellophane food bags (e.g., candy bars, cookies, pasta)</td> <td>flower pots</td> <td colspan="2">nalgene water bottles</td> </tr> <tr> <td>frozen food bags/pouches</td> <td>black plastic</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>meat trays</td> <td>5-gallon pails; buckets</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>VCR, CD cases</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>tarps</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> </table> | | | | Styrofoam (polystyrene) | egg cartons | bottles that contained motor oil, anti-freeze, pesticides, pool chemicals or other hazardous substances | | take-out food containers | medicine & pill bottles | curbside/other plastic bins | | cups, plates, utensils, straws | "packing" peanuts | dry cleaner/garment bags | | bags - return to store | foam packing | indoor/outdoor/patio furniture | | plastic wrap/sheeting | packaging of any kind | swimming pools | | cartons/trays (berry containers, cookie trays) | clothes baskets | hoses; PVC piping or tubing | | liners from food packaging | toys | containers bigger than 2 gallons | | cellophane food bags (e.g., candy bars, cookies, pasta) | flower pots | nalgene water bottles | | frozen food bags/pouches | black plastic | | | meat trays | 5-gallon pails; buckets | | | | VCR, CD cases | | | | tarps | | |
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| <p align="center">Cartons <i>Empty, rinse, & flatten. Recycle with containers, not paper.</i></p> <p>➤ Milk and juice cartons</p> | <p>foil-wrapped pouches frozen juice cartons frozen food packaging plastic straws</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p align="center">Paper <i>Clean paper only. Flatten boxes. "windows" in envelopes are ok; staples ok.</i></p> <p>➤ Newspaper, inserts, magazines, junk mail ➤ White and colored paper ➤ Shredded paper—put in paper bag ➤ Corrugated cardboard – must be broken down ➤ Boxboard (for example, cereal boxes) ➤ Clean pizza boxes (no grease or food) ➤ Phonebooks ➤ Soda, beer cartons ➤ Egg cartons</p> | <table border="0"> <tr> <td>cups</td> <td>butter, margarine boxes</td> <td colspan="2">glossy boxes that show white strands when torn (frozen food boxes)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>frozen juice cartons</td> <td>paper towels, napkins</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>take-out containers</td> <td>tissues</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Tyvek or padded envelopes</td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>hardcover books</td> <td colspan="2">dirtied paper (pet waste, paint)</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>stickers & sticker sheeting</td> <td colspan="2">copy paper packaging</td> </tr> </table> | | | | cups | butter, margarine boxes | glossy boxes that show white strands when torn (frozen food boxes) | | frozen juice cartons | paper towels, napkins | | | take-out containers | tissues | | | | Tyvek or padded envelopes | | | | hardcover books | dirtied paper (pet waste, paint) | | | stickers & sticker sheeting | copy paper packaging | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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