

# SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING IN GLEN RIDGE

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- ❖ Recycling pick up is once a week. You must place your recycling at the curb the night before to ensure collection. All containers must be free of any debris or food contamination for the purpose of public health.
- ❖ Using a proper recycling bin with a lid and wheels is strongly recommended.
- ❖ Avoid throwing CFL's (compact fluorescent light bulb) into trash or recycling bins. CFL's can be dropped off at any Home Depot's customer service desk.
- ❖ It is against the law to put electronics into the regular garbage stream or curbside recycling.
- ❖ Freecycle (town-wide):  
First Wednesday of every month.  
Items can be registered in advance on the Borough's website at [www.glenridgenj.org](http://www.glenridgenj.org)

## ITEMS WITH FREON:

- ❖ Refrigerators & air conditioners and large electronic items will be picked up by the Borough on Wednesday morning by appointment only. To schedule a pick up, call 973-748-8400 ext 223.

## ELECTRONICS DROP OFF:

- ❖ Second Saturday of every month  
9:00-1:00 pm at the Public Works Yard  
(122 Carteret Street)

## TOWN-WIDE BULK WASTE:

- ❖ First Thursday of every month.

## WHAT TO RECYCLE:

All cardboard, boxboard or chipboards including merchandise boxes.

All paper and paper products including books, brown paper bags, magazines, manila envelopes, wrapping and tissue paper, office paper, junk mail, phone books, paper towel rolls, newspapers and inserts.

All clear, brown and green glass bottles and jars. (Remove and discard all caps.)

All tin, aluminum or steel cans, foils and trays.

All plastic bottles, jugs, containers and jars marked #1, #2 & #5.  
(Rinse out all containers prior to recycling and remove and discard all caps.)

## RECYCLING IS NOT AN OPTION!

## IT IS THE LAW!



FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
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[WWW.GOGLENRIDGEGREEN.ORG](http://WWW.GOGLENRIDGEGREEN.ORG)

# SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING GUIDE

## THE RECYCLING BIN'S DIRTY DOZEN

Please help make  
single-stream recycling  
a success by keeping  
these materials OUT.

Below is our Dirty Dozen hit list of the worst contaminants that must **NOT** go in the recycling.

- 1 NO PLASTIC BAGS**  
Plastic bags are the WORST contaminant in the recycling bin.  
Please do **NOT** put plastic bags of any kind in your bin because the entire load will be marked as contaminated. Place your recyclable items inside a bin, not inside a large plastic bag.
- 2 NO NON-RECYCLABLE PLASTIC**  
We now only recycle plastic bottles, jugs, containers and jars marked #1, #2 and #5.  
All caps and lids must be removed from containers and bottles as they are **NOT** recyclable.  
Please completely empty and quickly rinse out all containers before recycling.  
**NO** rubber hoses, flower pots or plastic toys of any kind.
- 3 NO PLASTIC LIDS OR CAPS** Plastic lids and caps are **NOT** recyclable on or off the bottle.
- 4 NO WAX CARDBOARDS** such as milk, juice and ice cream containers or aseptic packaging such as juice boxes. Tetra-Pak foil lined containers are **NOT** recyclable.
- 5 NO FROZEN FOOD BOXES OR MICROWAVE TRAYS**  
Paperboard boxes that are designed for freezer foods, such as frozen pizza and entrees, have a plastic polymer sprayed on them to protect the food against freezer burn. That same coating prevents the box from breaking up in the recycling process.
- 6 NO SHREDDED PAPER, SOILED PAPER OR NAPKINS**
- 7 NO CERAMICS OR NON-RECYCLABLE GLASS**  
Ceramics, china, dishes, mirrors, light bulbs, pyrex, porcelain and window glass should **NOT** go in the bins. (Their different melting points and chemical compositions will ruin new glass bottles. If just one of these items is on the top of the load, the entire load will be marked as contaminated.)
- 8 NO DIAPERS OR BIO-HAZARDOUS WASTE**  
Syringes and needles, diapers and other sanitary products are **NOT** recyclable.
- 9 NO HAZARDOUS WASTE**  
Oil-based paint, pesticides and chemical containers, automotive fluids, pool chemicals, car batteries and fluorescent light bulbs must be taken to Essex County's Hazardous Waste Collection.
- 10 NO SCRAP METAL**  
Scrap metal items of any size should **NOT** go in your curbside bin. (These items cause excessive damage on the recycling equipment.) **NO** wires or wire hangers, aerosol cans, electronics, drain pipes, tool boxes or pots and pans.
- 11 NO STYROFOAM OF ANY KIND**
- 12 NO TRASH**