



# RECYCLING COMPACTOR AT APEX TRANSFER STATION



## THE ONLY ITEMS ACCEPTED IN RECYCLING COMPACTOR ARE:

### ✓ PAPER / PAPER PACKAGING/ PAPER CONTAINERS:

**Boxboard (flatten)** such as, cereal boxes, cardboard tubes, frozen dessert boxes.

**Corrugated cardboard (flatten)**  
No waxed cardboard.

**Directories / telephone books**  
No other hard/ soft cover books.

**Greeting cards**  
Remove batteries in musical cards & recycle with other household batteries, do not place in curbside.

**Magazines & catalogues**

**Moulded boxboard** such as, egg cartons, drink carry-out trays.

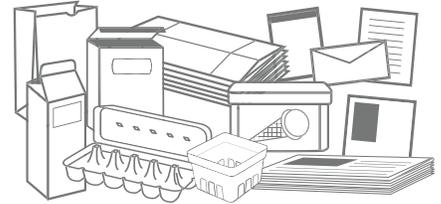
**Newspaper, inserts & flyers**  
**Office paper & envelopes**  
Fiber padded envelopes accepted.  
No envelopes with plastic or multiple material types.

**Paper bags (paper only)** such as, brown paper bags, sugar / flour bags.

**Pizza boxes (remove paper liner)**  
If bottom contains food / grease, place in garbage. Recycle clean top.

**Paper cups / take-out bowls**  
Must be completely clean.

**Tetra / gable top container / carton**  
Rinse clean, can leave cap on.



Milk / plant-based beverage containers are now a part of the Return-it Deposit Program.  
• Return containers (including juice cartons) to bottle depot or place in provided tote.

All Recycling: Must be EMPTY Must be CLEAN ✓

### ✓ HARD & BRITTLE PLASTIC CONTAINERS (LESS THAN 25L)

**Plastic jugs / containers with lids** such as, shampoo, soap, pump / spray cleaning container, cooking oil.  
No large refillable water jugs.

**Plastic cold drink cups / plastic container lids** such as, takeout drink cups / lids, container lids.

**Rigid gardening pots & trays**  
Clean flimsy seedling pots accepted.  
No dirt, must be clean.

**Rigid single-use containers, trays, tubs, & clamshells** such as, used for baked goods, fruit, eggs, yogurt.



### ✓ METAL PACKAGING & FOIL CONTAINERS:

**Aluminum, tin & steel food / fruit cans** (bend lids to the inside of can).

**Foil & foil containers** such as; foil pie plates, clean foil.

**Metal screw cap lids**

**Spray / aerosol cans (empty)** for food, air freshener, hairspray, deodorant (No spray paint cans).



No utensils, pots, or pans.

Bend lid inside can

No other items are accepted in the RDOS Recycling Compactor.

**NO GLASS - NO PLASTIC BAGS - NO PLASTIC WRAP - NO BATTERIES - NO STYROFOAM** →



### SHREDDED PAPER?

- Place ONLY shredded paper in CLEAR PLASTIC BAG, but do not overfill.
- Tie the bag securely closed (do not use twist ties, wire, rope, or tape).

For a complete list, see Recycle BC's What Can I Recycle - Materials List [www.recyclebc.ca](http://www.recyclebc.ca)

### ✓ HOW TO PREPARE YOUR RECYCLING:

No food scraps or liquids (must be clean, empty, dry).

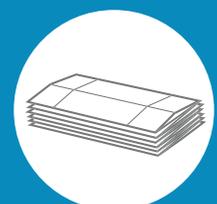
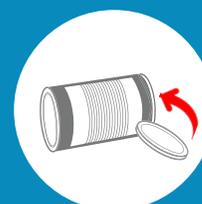
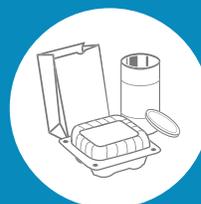
No plastic bags.

No glass (remove lids & place lids in recycling compactor).

Do not stack items inside each other (keep loose).

Place metal lids inside can to reduce hazards.

Flatten all boxes. For better compaction, cut large boxes into smaller pieces.



# NOT ACCEPTED IN RECYCLING COMPACTOR

These items contaminate the recycling stream, & some are hazards to sorters.

## GARBAGE ITEMS

 <b>Straws</b>	 <b>Plastic tubing / strapping, PVC</b>	 <b>Plastic wrap / cellophane</b>	 <b>Biodegradable plastics</b>	 <b>Waxed cardboard</b>	 <b>Water jugs</b>
 <b>Bathroom / kitchen paper</b>	 <b>Non-paper gift wrap</b>	 <b>Mixed material packaging</b>	 <b>Non-rigid foam</b>	 <b>Empty plastic paint cans</b>	 <b>Multi-use plastics</b>
Paper towels, napkins, tissues, personal hygiene products, toilet/ paper towel roll.	Ribbons, bows, gift wrap made of foil.	Multi-material packaging (foil, paper, plastic). (e.g. blister packs, some pet food bags).	Peanuts, flexible foam sheets, pool noodles, blue / pink foam board insulation.	Plastic paint cans are garbage. Dispose metal paint cans to landfill metal area.	Donate if in good condition. If not, place in garbage.

## OTHER:



Donate or dispose to landfill metal area.

## Ceramics, pottery & dishware



Donate if useable. Ceramics/ pottery to landfill concrete area.

## DEPOT-ONLY ITEMS (must be empty, clean, & sorted. Read signs & sort CORRECTLY)

 <b>Non-refundable glass</b>	 <b>Flexible plastic packaging</b>	 <b>Plastic bags &amp; overwrap</b>	 <b>Rigid white foam (styrofoam)</b>	 <b>Rigid coloured foam (styrofoam)</b>
Jars / bottles (place lids in recycling compactor).	e.g. crinkly snack / chip bag, stand-up pouch, grocery bag, food / toiletry overwrap.		Sort white from coloured styrofoam (read signs & sort to correct bin).	

### Depot locations:

- Penticton (J&C Bottle Depot, Campbell Mountain Landfill)
- Keremeos Landfill
- Oliver Landfill
- Oliver T-2 Market
- Osoyoos Bottle Depot

## HAZARDOUS & OTHER ITEMS (check local bottle depot / landfill for disposal options)

 <b>Aerosol &amp; flammable spray containers</b>	 <b>Pressurized tanks</b>	 <b>Oil, anti-freeze, wax, lubricant container</b>	 <b>Wood, demo / reno materials</b>	 <b>Batteries (of any kind)</b>	 <b>Electronics &amp; appliances</b>
Containers for paint, wax, polish, lubricating oil, solvent, insulation foam.	Drop off at landfill designated area.	Place in landfill designated area or participating used-oil location.	See <a href="http://rdos.bc.ca/demo">rdos.bc.ca/demo</a> for disposal instructions.	Place household batteries in provided box, or return to participating used electronic location. Deposit vehicle batteries to landfill designated area.	



**Sharps & leftover medicine?**  
Contact local Health Authority or local pharmacy.

### Not sure what goes where?

1. Visit the Recycling Council of British Columbia at [www.RCBC.ca](http://www.RCBC.ca) or call the RCBC hotline 1-800-667-4321, or
2. Contact & leave a message at the **RDOS Solid Waste Hotline** 250-490-4129 (Mon.- Fri. 8:30-4:30), or
3. Visit Recycle BC at [www.recyclebc.ca](http://www.recyclebc.ca) & use the search engine for specific items.
4. Not sure where **electronics** go? Visit Recycle My Electronics at [www.recyclemyelectronics.ca](http://www.recyclemyelectronics.ca)

**For more information on Apex Transfer Station:**

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