

# RECYCLE

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Paper  
Papel



Plastic  
Plástico



Metal  
Metal



Glass  
Vidrio



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Put these materials in your blue recycling bin:

## Paper

(Must be dry and clean)

- White and pastel office paper
- Notebook paper
- Paper bags
- Junk mail
- Egg cartons
- Envelopes (windows OK)
- Newspapers and inserts
- Corrugated cardboard (flattened)
- Magazines and catalogs
- Shredded paper (place in paper bag)
- Chipboard (boxes for cereal, shoes, etc.)
- Packing or craft paper
- Wrapping paper (non-metallic)



## Plastic

(Remove food or liquids first)

- Bottles
- Jugs, tubs and jars #1-7
- Food containers (tubs, clamshells, lids OK)



No plastic bags



No Styrofoam

## Glass

(Remove food or liquids first)

- Glass bottles and jars (remove and recycle lids)



No  
Electronics  
or batteries

## Metal

(Remove food or liquids first)

- Aluminum cans
- Aluminum foil (ball up foil 2" or larger)
- Aluminum pie pans and trays
- Metal caps and lids
- Steel (tin) cans



No Food

More recycling and waste reduction tips can be found at:  
<https://facilitymgmt.humboldt.edu/sustainability>

# U-Waste Recycling

Desperdicio



**Chargers**  
Cargadores



**Discs**  
Disco compacto

**Batteries**  
Pilas



**Ink Cartridge**  
Cartucho de tinta

**Small Electronics**  
Pequeña electrónica



**Compact Fluorescent bulb**  
Fluorescente compacta

Keep U-waste items in a box by your desk until it's ready to get emptied into a U-waste recycler on campus



It is illegal to put U-waste in the landfill!

Use a cardboard box or container to collect used batteries, small electronics and other U-waste items. Once full, empty your container in the nearest U-waste recycling bin.

Put these items in your U-waste container:

### Electronic Devices

- Gaming equipment
- Computers
- Monitors/TVs
- Phones
- Speakers
- Microwaves
- Digital clocks



### Batteries (all kinds)

### Disks (compact disks, DVDs)

### Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Bulbs

### Cables, Chargers and Headphones



No Trash



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### U-waste recycling bin locations:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Jolly Giant Commons
- Left entrance of the Library
- Inside the SAC Lounge
- 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Gist Hall
- By the College Creek Mail Room
- Entrance to BSS Forum
- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Founders Hall
- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor NR Building



# COMPOST



Food scraps  
Restos de comida



Food soiled paper containers  
Recipientes sucios de papel

Plants  
Plantas



Paper towels & napkins  
Toallas y servilletas de papel



# COMPOST

Put these materials in the composting bin:

## Food Soiled Paper

- Greasy pizza boxes and paper bags
- Paper coffee filters and tea bags
- Paper plates
- Paper napkins and paper towels
- Paper take-out boxes and containers

## Food Scraps

- All fruits and vegetables (including pits and rinds)
- Coffee grounds and tea leaves
- Dairy and meat products (including bones)
- Eggshells and eggs
- Leftovers and spoiled food
- Seafood (including shellfish)

## Plants

- Flowers and bouquets (remove all plastic or metal)
- Herbs and plant trimmings

## Other

- Wooden toothpicks, chopsticks and coffee stirrers
- Natural corks (no plastic)
- Natural, non-dyed hair, fur and feathers (non-synthetic)
- Cotton balls, cotton swabs with paper stems



Look for the  
compost bins  
around  
campus



No Glass



No Plastic Bags

Work on campus? Contact Facilities Management for compost collections for your breakroom, [facilitymgmt@humboldt.edu](mailto:facilitymgmt@humboldt.edu)

Live on campus? Get a FREE countertop compost bin by emailing [rsa@humboldt.edu](mailto:rsa@humboldt.edu).

# LANDFILL

# BASURERO

**Masks**  
Mascaras



**Gloves**  
Guantes



**Wrappers**  
Envoltorios



**Toiletries**  
Artículos de aseo

**Cartons**  
Cartones



**Plastic bags**  
Bolsas de plástico

**Styrofoam**  
Espuma de poliestireno



**Compostable packaging**  
Embalaje compostable



# LANDFILL

# BASURERO

The following items go in your landfill waste bin because currently there are no recycling options:

- Plastic food wrappers
- Styrofoam/polystyrene packaging and packing peanuts
- Broken mirrors, dishware, mugs
- Plastic or foil lining from cereal boxes
- Menstrual/sanitary products
- Kitty litter and animal feces (bagged)
- Products (cups, utensils) labeled "compostable"
- Plastic utensils
- Paper and Tetra Pak cartons
- Empty toothpaste tubes
- Latex/nitrile gloves
- Broken plastic hangers
- Plastic items mixed with metal, fabric or rubber



No Recyclables



No Batteries



No Hazardous  
Waste



No Electronics

Got Hazardous Waste? Call 826-3302 for pick-up.

Hazardous waste includes

- Solvent-based paints and paint thinners
- Motor oil and other automobile chemicals
- Bug sprays

Got Sharps?

- Keep used sharps in a puncture resistant, leak-resistant container. When full, dispose of sharps in one of the sharps waste containers on campus (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the JGC and at the College Creek Community Center)

For more info, go to <https://risksafety.humboldt.edu/environmental-health-safety-0>



# Recycling Do's and Don'ts



Pour out liquids.



Scrape out food.



Wipe out oily or sticky residue.



## Why Can't I Recycle \_\_\_\_\_?

*These items are commonly found items that people try to recycle, but belong in a different waste stream. Remember, if there is no recycling market for that item, you cannot recycle it.*

### **LANDFILL—Mixed-Material Products (chip bags, foil coffee bags, snack wrappers, etc.)**

These materials are mixed material products, meaning multiple types of materials are bound together, such as plastic and metal, plastic and paper, or metal and paper. Recycling facilities cannot take these items apart, they can only sort items made of paper, plastic, metal, and glass.

### **LANDFILL—Styrofoam (cups, trays, blocks, boxes, etc.)**

Styrofoam is not recyclable. No recycling facilities accept it because of the intense amount of resources required to sort and process the material.

### **LANDFILL—Soft Plastics (cling wrap, plastic bags, Ziploc bags, plastic film)**

Soft plastics do not have a value in being recycled due to the low quality and are often too contaminated with food and/or liquids.

### **LANDFILL—Hard plastics but too small or irregularly shaped to process (coffee creamer cups, plastic straws, plastic utensils, plastic stirrers)**

These various items are too small or irregularly shaped to be processed and often fall off the conveyor belt at the recycling facilities. They also fracture into unrecoverable pieces during transportation.

### **Compost—Soiled Paper Products (paper towels/napkins, plates, greasy bags/boxes)**

These paper products have already been recycled multiple times = short fibers & low quality. Also often covered in grease & food, which will ruin the good batches of recyclable paper when processed

# Campus Resident Compost Program

1. Sign up and receive a FREE countertop compost pail
2. Put any food scraps in the compost pail throughout the week
3. On the scheduled day each week, put the full compost pail outside your door. It will get emptied and returned that same day!
4. Occasionally rinse out your compost pail to keep it clean and odor-free.

**Sign up Today!**



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