



Recycling Strategies



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What goes in the Co-mingle Blue Box?

Aluminum: foil, pop cans, pie plates

Steel: cans, tins

Glass: bottles/ jars, clear or colored

Polycoat: drink boxes, milk and juice cartons

Film Plastic: plastic shopping bags, rinsed out milk pouches, bread bags (please put all bags into one plastic bag)

Hard Plastic: jars, bottles, containers with the recycling symbol

What goes in Cardboard Recycling?

Cardboard: flattened boxes, pizza boxes (clean), egg cartons, brown paper bags

Boxboard: cereal boxes (remove liner), paper towel rolls, boxboard tubes, coffee cups

What goes in the Fibre Blue Box?

Paper: writing paper, envelopes, non-metallic wrapping paper, books (please remove hard covers)

Newsprint: newspapers, flyers, phone books, magazines, catalogues

Blue Box Tips

Rinse out containers before putting them in the Blue Box

- Be sure to properly sort your recycling
- Keep your Blue Box clean so it doesn't attract pests
- Prevent Blue Box contents from blowing away by stacking items neatly and placing multiple film plastic items into one bag, tied.

Common Mistakes

Please **do not** put these items in the Blue Box:

- Broken glass
- Drinking glasses
- Pyrex
- Light bulbs
- Window glass
- Ceramics
- Containers from hazardous or petroleum products such as motor oil
- Vinyl

What are the Reasons Why I Should Recycle?

There are many different reasons and advantages of recycling old materials to turn into new, similar products. Recycling benefits relate to many different areas, some of which could greatly improve the air we breathe, and the environment. Some of the main reasons why we should all recycle more are split up under the headings below.

Conservation

All man-made products incorporate raw materials to create the finished product. This involves harvesting the earth's natural resources (e.g. wood, metal) in order to acquire the raw materials. Deforestation is a prime example of how harvesting natural resources is harming the environment. This could be reduced if we recycle more paper and old wooden products.

Energy Saving

Recycling reduces the amount of energy needed to create a new, similar product. If we didn't recycle paper, more trees would have to be chopped down, transported, and manufactured into the finished product. This reason why you should recycle is a very important one, as energy conservation is one of the key ingredients for the fight against climate change.

Reduce Pollution

Tied in with energy saving, is the reduction of pollution as a result of manufacturing processes becoming more efficient. Any reduction in CO₂ or other harmful gases is not only a key ingredient for the fight against climate change, but a key ingredient for cleaning the air we breathe. If we can reduce pollution levels from the manufacturing industry by a significant level, this could have a positive impact on our health.

Landfill Reduction

The more we recycle, the more we can help to reduce the burden on local and national landfill sites. As population levels increase, we will need to find more landfill sites, which will harm the surrounding environment and wildlife. This is another important reason why we should recycle more, in order to reduce the impact landfills have on the surrounding environment.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Days

Located at the Scotch Line Waste Disposal Site, please view our website www.mindenhills.ca for dates and times.

ACCEPTABLE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CLASSES

Latex and Oil Paints, Finishing Products e.g. varnish, glues, etc., Used Motor Oil, Auto and Household Batteries, Propane Tanks and Cylinders, Cleaners e.g. bleach, oven cleaner, etc. Aerosol Cans, Solvents e.g. varsol, paint thinners, etc. Pesticides and Herbicides, Pool and Photographic Chemicals, Florescent Light Tubes, Needles and Sharps – MUST be in a suitable container with a lid (e.g. old coffee can or water bottle)

UNACCEPTABLE WASTE CLASSES

Industrial Waste, PCB's, Radioactive and Pathological

LANDFILL USER IDENTIFICATION CARDS MUST BE SHOWN