

# Organics Recycling Guide



## All food

- Fruits and vegetables
- Meat, fish and bones
- Dairy products
- Eggs and egg shells
- Pasta, beans and rice
- Bread and cereal
- Nuts and shells



## Food-soiled paper

- Pizza boxes from delivery
- Napkins and paper towels
- Paper egg cartons



## Certified compostable products

- Compostable paper and plastic cups, plates, bowls, utensils and containers



Look for the term "compostable" or the BPI logo on certified products.



## Other compostable household items

- Coffee grounds and filters
- Hair and nail clippings
- Cotton balls and swabs with paper stems
- Houseplants and flowers
- Wooden items such as chopsticks, popsicle sticks and toothpicks



**Not accepted:** Yard waste • bandages • diapers • menstrual products • animal and pet waste, litter or bedding • cleaning or baby wipes • grease or oil • Styrofoam™ • dryer lint and dryer sheets • recyclable items (cartons, glass, metal, paper, plastic) • frozen food boxes • microwave popcorn bags • gum • fast food wrappers • products labeled "biodegradable"

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# Recycling guide



## It's easy to make a difference

Recycling and organics recycling are important – they save energy, conserve natural resources, support our local and regional economy, and put our trash to better use. See the recycling guides included for a refresher on what you can recycle.

Your recycling is collected every other week. See the 2023 recycling calendar inside for recycling weeks.



# 2023 Recycling Calendar

Trash and organics recycling are picked up weekly.  
Recycling is picked up every other week.

■ Recycling week ■ Holiday; service is delayed by one day

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## Sign up for organics recycling and help stop waste!



More than one-third of our trash is organic material that could be composted, so it's easy to make a difference in reducing waste and protecting the environment by signing up for organics recycling.

### Put your trash to better use

Organics recycling creates a cycle that puts our trash to better use. The cycle starts when you collect food scraps, non-recyclable paper, and compostable products in certified compostable bags.

You place your bagged organics in your organics recycling cart, and your hauler delivers them to a commercial compost site.

There, the organic materials are turned into compost, a nutrient-rich soil amendment that is used in landscaping, gardening and road construction projects.



### Sign up today

Organics recycling service is available to residents at an additional monthly cost. Sign up by calling Republic Services at 952-941-5174. Residents who sign up may be eligible for an organics recycling rebate. Get more information about the rebate by contacting Nalisha Williams at [nwilliams@excelsiormn.org](mailto:nwilliams@excelsiormn.org) or 952-653-3675.

# Recycling Guide

## Paper

- Mail, office, and school papers
- Magazines and catalogs
- Newspapers and inserts
- Phone books

### Boxes:

- Cardboard
- Cereal and cracker boxes
- Shoe boxes, gift boxes, and electronics boxes
- Toothpaste, medication, and other toiletry boxes



## Cartons

- Milk cartons
- Juice boxes
- Soup, broth, and wine cartons



## Glass

- Food and beverage bottles and jars



## Plastic

### Bottles and jugs:

- Water, soda, and juice bottles
- Milk and juice jugs
- Ketchup and salad dressing bottles
- Dishwashing liquid bottles and detergent jugs
- Shampoo, soap, and lotion bottles



### Cups and containers:

- Yogurt, pudding, and fruit cups
- Clear disposable cups and bowls
- Margarine, cottage cheese, and other containers
- Produce, deli, and takeout containers



## Metal

- Food and beverage cans



### Not accepted:

- Plastic bags, film, and wrap
- Batteries
- Large plastic items like laundry baskets, storage tubs, and toys
- Random metal items like pots, pipes, and hangers
- Plastic foam (Styrofoam™)
- Paper cups and plates
- Plastic utensils and straws
- Hoses, cords, and string lights
- Glass dishes, drinking glasses, window glass, and ceramics
- Containers that held hazardous products

### Get free recycling resources

Make sure everyone knows how to recycle. Order free guides and container labels at [hennepin.us/recycling](http://hennepin.us/recycling)