



Oregon Adopted Recycling Acceptance Lists

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Beginning July 2025, all Oregon community members and businesses throughout the state can recycle a consistent set of materials. The Oregon Environmental Quality Commission adopted the following recycling acceptance lists on Nov. 16, 2023. These lists may change over time. For example, producer responsibility organizations may propose to add materials to the Uniform Statewide Collection List in their program plans.

Local government acceptance lists

DEQ requires local governments to collect the following materials under their Opportunity to Recycle obligations in the modernized system.

Uniform Statewide Collection List

To be collected at depots and on-route collection, and suitable for commingled collection:

Corrugated cardboard (uncoated and recycle-compatible coated; clean pizza boxes OK) 	All kraft paper (brown paper bags, mailers) 
Paperboard packaging (e.g., cereal, cracker and medicine boxes) 	Molded pulp packaging (e.g., egg cartons, but not food serveware or flower pots) 
Polycoated cartons (e.g., milk cartons), aseptic cartons. 	Tissue paper used as packaging (not facial or sanitary tissue) 
Non-metalized gift wrap (no ribbons or bows) 	High-grade office paper (e.g., white and colored ledger) 

Newspaper/newsprint		Magazines, catalogs and similar glossy paper	
Telephone directories		Other printing and writing paper (e.g., envelopes, "junk mail", cards)	
Paperback books		Aluminum food and beverage cans	
Steel cans, including empty/dry paint cans		Scrap metal less than 10 pounds in weight and 18 inches in length; excluding sharp items and "tangles" (e.g., bicycle chains, wire)	
Plastic tubs (e.g., cottage cheese) larger than 2 inches in two dimensions. made of PET (#1), HDPE (#2), or polypropylene (#5)		Plastic bottles larger than 2 inches in two dimensions, made of clear PET (#1), natural or colored HDPE (#2) or clear or colored polypropylene (#5) (caps OK if screwed on)	
Plastic buckets, pails, storage containers and other bulky HDPE (#2) or polypropylene (#5) plastic packaging that fit loosely in the provided on-route collection container		Nursery (plant) packaging: HDPE (#2) and PP (#5) only	

Only at depots and collected segregated from other materials (not commingled):

Motor oil		Scrap metal including large appliances and other items not on the Uniform Statewide Collection List	
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Metro region only:

This fact sheet refers to mandates in rule only. Local governments outside the Metro region may collect glass and yard debris on-route without a regulatory requirement.

Glass packaging (bottles, jars): non-residential on-route only	
Yard debris	

PRO acceptance list

DEQ requires producer responsibility organizations to provide for the recycling of the following materials:

Steel and aluminum aerosol packaging		Single-use liquid fuel canisters and other pressurized cylinders	
Aluminum foil and pressed foil products		Glass packaging (e.g., bottles and jars)	
Shredded paper		Polyethylene film	

Plastic buckets and other bulky HDPE (#2) or polypropylene (#5) packaging 	HDPE package handles (such as 6-pack handles) 
Polyethylene and polypropylene lids 	Block white expanded polystyrene 

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