



BlueBoxGuide

ESSEX COUNTY / NES RECYCLING PROGRAM

Don't put your recyclables in plastic bags!

All containers below must be EMPTY, RINSED and LOOSE in the box/cart.

Any item with a diameter 3 inches (7.6 cm) or smaller is **not** accepted in the NES Recycling Program.



Aluminum Cans



All Plastic Bottles
remove & discard caps



EMPTY Flexible Plastic Bags

empty bags (e.g. grocery store plastic bags)
can be placed inside each other (bundled) -
no loose plastic bags



Clamshells & Trays
(Plastic)



Glass Bottles & Jars
remove & recycle metal lids



Plastic Tubs & Lids
tub lids CAN be recycled



Plastic Jugs
remove & discard caps



Plastic Egg Cartons



Metal Cans & Lids
remove & recycle metal lids



Buckets / Pails
discard lids, remove any
metal handles

NES Recycling Program Reminders & What Can't Be Recycled

Blue Box / Cart

Containers must be placed in the Blue Box or the Container Recycling Cart. Container items can't be mixed with paper items in the same box/cart.

If they are mixed - the whole box/cart becomes contaminated (as we have a two-stream program) and will NOT be collected.



Approved Blue Box

Box Weight Limit: 20 kg / 44 lb



Approved Recycle Cart

Must be outfitted with the Standard North American Lifting Mechanism and must be labeled for one type of material (i.e. containers).

Day Collection: Set-out by 6:00 a.m.

Do NOT put these materials in the Blue Box / Cart.

Recycling tied in plastic bags is not recycled and ends up in landfill.

Our two-stream recycling program is material specific. If you put any of these 'unaccepted items' in your recycle boxes they become garbage in this program.

Cross Contamination: Refers to the act of mixing paper products and containers in the same box/cart. This causes serious operational issues at our facilities.



No Propane Tanks



No Scrap Metal



No Stringy Things



No Paper



No Clothes



No Plastic Products



No Garbage



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All paper products below must be EMPTY (No Food).



White Office Paper



Newspapers
remove any plastic bags/inserts



Magazines & Junkmail
remove any plastic bags/inserts



Boxboard
remove any plastic liners/bags



Cardboard
breakdown boxes no larger than 30"x 30"x 30"



Pizza Boxes

please eat or remove pizza - if bottom is overly greasy, please tear off and throw in garbage



Paper Packaging



Shredded Paper & White Office Paper

place in a clear plastic bag - ONLY shredded paper can be placed in a clear plastic bag

NES Recycling Program Reminders & What Can't Be Recycled

Red Box / Cart

Paper must be placed in the Red Box or the Paper Recycling Cart. Paper items can't be mixed with container items in the same box/cart. If they are mixed - the whole box/cart becomes contaminated (as we have a two-stream program) and will NOT be collected.



Approved Red Box

Box Weight Limit: 20 kg / 44 lb



Approved Recycle Cart

Must be outfitted with the Standard North American Lifting Mechanism and must be labeled for one type of material (e.g. paper).

Day Collection: Set-out by 6:00 a.m.

Cardboard Boxes

Large cardboard boxes must be broken down - no larger than 30"x 30" x 30" - otherwise it will not be picked up.



30" x 30" x 30"

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No Plastic Bags
(except for clear plastic bags containing shredded paper)



No Garbage



No Propane Tanks



No Containers