

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING GUIDELINES

MULTI-STREAM

The City is transitioning to Dual Stream recycling, which supports the consumer recycling process and may reduce costs

How to prepare:

All acceptable materials must be sorted before collection. All but corrugated cardboard must be in some type of container. Use of City containers is not required, but recycling containers must be:

- In good shape, not falling apart/dangerous
- Under 40 lbs. when loaded
- Filled with only one category of material
- Free of water/ice, leaves, garbage, etc.
- Secured to prevent scattering by wind



Recyclables must be out by 7 a.m. on pickup day

Set out only what is generated by the subscriber household. Each category may have more than one container, but materials from different categories may not be mixed together. Unless otherwise noted on the service form, collection occurs at the curb, not in the alley. Assistance for persons with disabilities is available.

Prohibited items:

- Electronics/E-waste
- Batteries of any kind
- Hazardous materials: asbestos, chemicals, oils, paints, cleaners, needles, etc.
- Yard debris/compostable materials/food waste
- Construction debris/wood
- Medical waste: used gloves/masks, medicine

Contact Mesa County Landfill at 970-256-9543 for options or refer to the Hard-to-Recycle Guide gjcity.org.

Customer pricing available to subscribers only:

- Once per month curbside service: \$1.75
- Special pickups: \$5.00 each
- Recycling containers/bags beyond four: \$3.50 each
- 18-gallon recycling bins: \$12 each

Schedules and route maps are available at gjcity.org/recycling

THE FIVE CATEGORIES

Glass

1

Glass bottles, jars, and jugs of any color, rinse and remove all lids
Steel/ aluminum lids can be recycled with cans

KEEP OUT: Pyrex, ceramics, drinking glasses, vases, plate glass, light bulbs, clay, tempered glass of any kind, glass pipes, or trinkets

Paper

2

Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, phone books, paper egg cartons, mail (open and remove plastics and magnets), paperback books, white or pastel office-quality paper, small amounts of shredded paper (may be contained in a paper bag)

KEEP OUT: wet/greasy/oily paper, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, plastic bags of any kind, carbons, ream wrappers, photographs
Remove plastic cards, sleeves, wraps, bags, metal clips or binding

Single layer chipboard

3

Flattened cereal/cracker boxes, beer or soda containers, toilet paper tubes, paper towel tubes, construction paper, poster board

KEEP OUT: waxy milk/juice cartons, paper plates, paper cups, food-soiled paper, wet/greasy/oily chipboard, detergent boxes, waxy paperboard

Aluminum, steel, and plastics

4

Aluminum and steel cans/lids, and #1, #2, and #5 plastic bottles, jars and jugs as well as #5 lids and tubs, remove and discard all labels from aluminum and all plastic lids and limit size to 5 gallons and under
Completely drain containers, rinse of food

KEEP OUT: #3, #4, #6 and #7 plastics, plastic bags/wrappers/film, aluminum foil, aluminum tins, scrap metal, foam of any kind, large storage bins, furniture, toys, trash cans, plastics marked "biodegradable" or "compostable," motor oil containers

Corrugated cardboard

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Clean, flattened, unwaxed corrugated cardboard (two layers of fibrous paper separated by a ruffle/wavy piece of cardboard), brown paper sacks
Break down, flatten, and neatly stack cardboard, weigh down on windy days

KEEP OUT: wet/greasy/oily/painted/waxed cardboard, packing materials, corner braces, map/document tubes