

Fact Sheet

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-All kraft paper (brown compatible coated; clean paper bags, mailers) pizza boxes OK) Molded pulp Paperboard packaging packaging (e.g., egg (e.g., cereal, cracker and cartons, but not food medicine boxes) serviceware or flower pots) Polycoated cartons (e.g., Tissue paper used as milk cartons), aseptic packaging (not facial or cartons. 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 "tanglers" (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

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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



Metro region only:

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



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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