

Recycling myths and facts.

The most common items to be recycled are:

mail, paper, glass bottles & jars, aluminum, steel & tin cans, plastic bottles, jugs and tubs.

Myth: Any plastic can be recycled.

Fact: Only plastic bottles, jars, jugs, tubs with a #1, 2, 5 are recyclable. Plastic buckets /pails and lids are **not** recyclable.

ALL items must be clean.

Myth: plastic bags, electronics, medical waste, styrofoam, plastic totes, lawn chairs, empty oil containers, amazon/usps shipping bags, pots and pans can be recycled.

Fact: **NONE** of these are to go into recycle bins .

Myth: Any item placed in recycle bin will be recycled.

Fact: This is wishcycling. Too much contamination will cause bin to be emptied in the landfill and fines will be levied to the transfer station.

Myth: It is ok to place small amounts of food waste (garbage) in recycle bins.

Fact: **ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN!!** Nothing with food waste, grease, etc., is recyclable.

Myth: Plates, bowls, cups, saucers, glass ware are recyclable.

Fact: **They are not.** This includes dirty paper plates/plastic ware and solo cups.

Items not accepted at Barnes Transfer Station

Paint, motor oil, gas, explosives, fireworks, ammunition, flammables, antifreeze, lubricants, corrosives, etc. Ask attendant if in doubt.

Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.

All cardboard boxes must be flattened & 3X3 ft or smaller.

NO pizza boxes.

Keep any foods and liquids out of recycling.

No loose plastic bags, bagged recyclables or styrofoam.

Only #1, 2, 5 plastics are recyclable.

When in doubt, throw it out!