



Greening Our Community

Carson City



Summer 2024 Newsletter

RECYCLING 101: **EVERYTHING** YOU NEED TO KNOW TO RECYCLE RIGHT

Recycling is one of the easiest ways to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills and help fight climate change. But with the ever-growing number of waste items handled by the average resident daily, knowing how to sort and where to place each material can be daunting. To help make sorting more intuitive, we share below three rules that will ensure everything in your recycling bin finds a second life.



RULE 1

Recycle plastic containers, metal cans, glass, paper and cardboard. Items should be placed clean and dry in your recycling.



RULE 2

Keep food and liquid out of your recycling cart. They contaminate materials and make them unsuitable for recycling.



RULE 3

Never place plastic bags in your recycling cart or bag your recyclables. Plastic bags are not accepted for recycling.

WISHCYCLING & THE DANGER OF CONTAMINATION

“Wishcycling” or throwing non-recyclable materials in the recycling cart in the hopes they can be recycled may seem like a harmless and well-meaning habit, but it can lead to the whole batch of recyclables being thrown out as trash. It’s important to keep trash and recyclables separated and, when in doubt – throw it out.

Recycling starts with proper sorting. Remember to recycle plastic materials by shape: bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs are generally acceptable items. Empty glass, tin, aluminum and steel cans are also good to go. Make sure to always give it a good wipe to remove food residue or any liquid before placing them in your recycling cart. Paper and cardboard? Sure, but only if they are not dirty or wet. Visit wm.com/recycle-right to learn more.





Yard Care: Separating Green Waste for a Sustainable Nevada

As summer approaches, many of us will be spending more time outdoors. Keeping yards tidy and well-maintained may increase the amount of yard waste generated by each household this season. It's important to remember to separate this type of materials from recycling and trash.

Items such as grass clippings, leaves, branches, and other vegetative matter are rich in nutrients and can be transformed into compost, soil, and mulch right here in Nevada. These products help beautify our state and support local food growth. With your cooperation and the efforts of Full Circle Compost, Carson City's yard waste can be repurposed instead of ending up in landfills.

Acceptable Items:

Plant debris, such as grass clippings, leaves, pruning, weeds, branches, brush, and other forms of vegetative waste.

Non-acceptable Items:

Food. Branches more than 3 feet in length, more than 6 inches in diameter or weighing more than 50 lbs. Tree Stumps, Bamboo, Soil, Dirt, Rocks, Concrete, Asphalt, Plastic Bags, Animal Waste, Palm Tree Branches, Painted or Treated Wood.



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