Curbside Recycling Collection

Put ALL RECYCLING in your TOTE WITH the GREEN LID, THERE IS NO NEED TO SEPARATE ANY LONGER.
TOWN OF CHEEKTOWAGA
GUIDE TO RECYCLING

MATERIALS

NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES & CATALOGS

Anything that comes with your normal newspaper. Magazines delivered to your home or purchased at a newsstand. All catalogs, phone books, and junk mail.

WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Place in tote loose. Put junk mail and writing paper in tote. DO NOT USE STRING OR PLASTIC BAGS.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, etc.

CORGATEGATED CARDBOARD


WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Remove all strapping. Break down all boxes to fit in tote.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Cardboard.

GLASS BOTTLES

All clear, green and brown food and beverage containers.

WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Rinse containers. Labels DO NOT have to be removed. Put all containers and METAL lids and caps in tote.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Ceramic bottles and other ceramic items, flower pots, crystal light bulbs, mirror and window glass, heat resistant ovenware, hypo-allergenic syringes, eyeglasses.

METAL CANS & KITCHEN COOKWARE

All metal food and beverage containers (cans). Metal lids, closure caps, aluminum pie tins. Pots, pans, tins and utensils.

WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Rinse containers. Labels DO NOT have to be removed.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Silverware, metal/cardboard containers (frozen juice or motor oil), small appliances, metal cookware, or tin foil. DO NOT INCLUDE ANY TYPE OF BATTERY

PLASTIC

Plastic food, soap and beverage containers, plastic bags (most retail and shopping), rigid plastic, laundry baskets, plastic lawn furniture, chairs, furniture, etc.

WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Rinse containers. Wide mouth containers (yogurt and cottage cheese) NO styrofoam, NO deli containers. NO microwave containers.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Anti-freeze or motor oil containers, plates, tabletop, medicine bottles, plexiglass, fast food containers.

MILK CARTONS JUICE CARTONS DRINK BOXES

Gable top beverages. Containers including those with plastic spouts.

WHAT TO PLACE IN TOTE

Rinse and empty. Place in tote with other containers.

WHAT TO PLACE IN THE TRASH

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

Straws from drink boxes. Frozen food containers. Waxed paper or drink pouches.

Waste material oils and tires are to be returned to the service station or retail outlet where purchased and WILL NOT BE COLLECTED.

MOVING? Remember the Tote stays with the house. FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE OR QUESTIONS CALL: REPUBLIC SERVICES 1-800-283-4220

RECYCLING SAVES TAX DOLLARS & PROTECTS OUR ENVIRONMENT

CONGRATULATIONS CHEEKTOWAGA!!

After 1 year with our new totes, we increased our recycling volume by 16%.

Let’s try for 25% this year!

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WILL THE TOTE HOLD ALL OF MY SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING?

Yes, on average, the tote should be sufficient for homeowners if you recycle all the allowable materials, such as glass, plastic, paper, and cardboard.

DO I HAVE TO FILL MY RECYCLING TOTE BEFORE I CAN PUT IT OUT TO BE PICKED UP?

No, you do not have to have a full recycling tote in order for it to be picked up. Ideally, we would like to remove a full tote to ensure a more productive program.

HOW CAN I MAXIMIZE MY RECYCLING TOTE USAGE?

The most common way to maximize the recycling tote is by ensuring that you break down all cardboard recyclables. If you find that you are still having an excess of recycling, try compaction of the soft plastic containers before placing them into the recycling tote.

WHO OWNS THE TOTE?

The tote remains the property of the Town of Cheektowaga and stays with the house when you move. Do not paint or deface the tote.

WILL I BE ABLE TO USE MY OWN CONTAINERS?

No. Due to safety and liability issues, residents will not be able to put out recycling in their own containers. Only the tote supplied by the Town of Cheektowaga for recycling, will be picked up.

WHERE DO I PLACE THE TOTE ON MY RECYCLE DAY?

Place the tote 3 feet from your trash tote, parked cars, bulk items, fences, mailboxes and other obstructions. Unhook, and remove, any temporary bungee cords or tie-downs you may have used to secure the lid before setting the wheeled tote out on collection day. Totes must be placed out on recycling days by 6:00 am.