

LET'S MAKE EVERY DAY RECYCLE DAY



November is the month of America Recycles Day, but we at CondorLiving want to do our part to ensure we are contributing to our environment every day. You can help by learning and following the recycling rules at your community. You took the time to collect your recycling – make sure it doesn't end up in the trash! Please read the information below to see which items are recyclable and which might contaminate the recycling, **causing the entire container to be refused.**

Recyclable

Paper

- Newspapers and inserts
- Envelopes and junk mail
- Paper of all colors (Post-Its okay!)
- Brochures
- Magazines and catalogs
- Grocery bags
- Shoe, toothpaste, medication, and similar boxes

Cardboard

- Cardboard boxes (please flatten)
- Paperboard boxes (cracker and cereal boxes, etc.)
- Cartons (milk, soup, broth, wine, juice, etc.)
- File folders
- Poster board

Aluminum/Metal

- Aluminum/tin beverage cans
- Food cans

Glass

- Glass bottles and jars (leave caps on)

Plastic

- Plastics containers marked #1, #2, and #5, such as:
- Soda, juice, and water bottles
 - Milk and juice jugs
 - Margarine, cottage cheese, and other tubs and lids
 - Laundry detergent bottles and jugs
 - Clear berry and produce containers

NO Plastic bags

Plastic bags cannot be recycled. However, you can take plastic grocery and retail bags to most local grocery stores to be recycled properly.

This includes plastic garbage bags.

Please place your recyclable items in paper bags, or don't use a bag at all, and carry your recycling to the community bins in the container you use to collect it in your home.

Non-recyclable

- Address labels
- Aerosol cans
- Aluminum foil
- Amazon or similar plastic packaging
- Batteries
- Black plastic
- Ceramics
- Clothing
- Computers and electronics
- Diapers
- Fluorescent tubes
- Food waste
- Hazardous waste
- Incandescent light bulbs
- Mirrors
- Paper plates, cups, and napkins
- Paper towels
- Plastic garbage bags
- Plastic wrapping/film (i.e., plastic around water cases)
- Shredded paper
- Stickers
- Styrofoam
- Tissue
- Toxic material containers
- Wrapping and tissue paper

Don't WISHcycle!

One of the biggest threats to recycling efforts is "wishcycling" (putting an object in the recycle bin *hoping* it is recyclable). Unfortunately, non-recyclable items put in the recycle bin can cause the entire container to be refused, meaning the trash company will come pick up the bin (even the recyclable items) instead. The safer bet is to remember, "when in doubt, throw it out." Throwing out the items you're unsure about can help ensure more items get recycled right!

QUICK TIP

When recycling, ensure your items are
EMPTY, CLEAN,
and DRY!