

City of Torrington -- RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING

ITEMS TO BE PLACED IN CURBSIDE BLUE BIN

Recyclable Items	Preparation Required	Not Acceptable
GLASS FOOD CONTAINERS Clear, green, brown soda, liquor, wine and juice bottles, up to 1 gal. size.	Rinse clean. Discard lids in trash. Not necessary to remove labels or rings. Discard bottle caps with trash.	Light bulbs; mirrors; window, plate, auto, leaded or drinking glass; porcelain; china; oven/cooking; crystal; ceramic; broken glass.
METAL FOOD CONTAINERS Vegetable, soup, aerosol and pet food cans; Up to #10	Rinse clean. Tuck rinsed lid into can. Not necessary to remove labels or flatten.	Paint cans, coat hangers, scrap metal, pots and pans.
ALUMINUM Beer, soft drink cans, TV dinner/pie plates, foil.	Rinse clean. DO NOT flatten cans.	Pots and pans, lawn chairs, storm windows, other aluminum to scrap dealers.
PLASTIC #1 through #7 under three gallons.	Rinse clean. Not necessary to remove labels or rings. Discard bottle caps with trash..	Plastic Bags, Toys, Medicine bottles, syringes, hypodermic needles, automobile product containers. NO BOTTLE CAPS
NEWSPAPERS, INSERTS, MAGAZINES , JUNK MAIL, CATALOGS & OFFICE PAPER	NO PLASTIC BAGS. Tie with string or place in brown paper bag.	Plastic shopping bags, books, telephone books, packing material. NO PLASTIC BAGS
CORRUGATED CARDBOARD & BOXBOARD Flattened Only, No Asian yellowish cardboard	Remove staples and tape. Flatten, cut to 3' x 3' size. Bundles may be tied with string.	Notebooks, tape, plastic inner packing materials or plastic windows.
MILK CARTONS AND JUICE BOXES	Empty containers, remove straws and caps, rinse larger containers. DO NOT flatten or crush.	

ITEMS TO BE DROPPED-OFF AT THE TORRINGTON AREA WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

Plant on Bogue Road off South Main Street. Open Monday – Friday 7:00 am to 2:00 pm. Plant employees will assist with receipt and unloading.

CLEAN CAR/TRUCK MOTOR OIL	Register in office. Pour into receiving tank.	NO antifreeze, gasoline, solvents.
AUTOMOTIVE BATTERIES	Register in office. Stack on pallets.	NO household batteries.

OTHER RECYCLABLE ITEMS

TELEPHONE BOOKS	Bring to SNET Recycling Bins set up during the time new books are delivered. Check the SNET Recycling Section of your telephone book for additional information.
RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES (NICAD)	Call 1-800-8BATTERY for local recycling locations.

YARD WASTE

Yard Waste (No leaves, whole trees or grass) can be placed in trash container for weekly collection, however we request that residents recycle Yard Waste.

YARD WASTE Branches, sticks and brush	Cut, bundle and tie with string. No material larger than 3" diameter or 3' long. No stones or dirt. Spring and Fall pickup for recycling.
LEAVES	Put into biodegradable PAPER bags. DO NOT place curbside for disposal with garbage. DO NOT rake into piles in roadway gutter. Spring and Fall pickup only. NO PLASTIC BAGS
GRASS CLIPPINGS	Use mulching mower, leave on lawn. DO NOT place curbside for disposal with garbage.
CHRISTMAS TREES	Curbside pickup for recycling same day as garbage collection (One week in Middle of January)
SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP	Curbside pickup for recycling same day as garbage collection (Two weeks at End of April)
FALL YARD WASTE PICKUP	Curbside pickup for recycling same day as garbage collection (Six weeks from End of October to Beginning of December).

MISCELLANEOUS – Call 489-2232 for help with other items

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE	Bring to household hazardous waste drop-off days. Call 489-2232 for details and to register.
SCRAP METAL	Contact local scrap metal dealers.
ROOF SHINGLES, CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS	Contact local refuse haulers for container.
LATEX PAINT CANS	Open cans, allow paint to dry and dispose of can and dried paint in garbage.
GENERAL CLEANUPS & MOVING DEBRIS	Contact local refuse haulers for container

Please hang or tape near your home recycling center for easy reference.