

Monroe County Recycling Program



Monroe County is committed to recycling! Recycling benefits our Community, our County, and our Country, by conserving natural resources, protecting the environment and reducing the amount of waste that is landfilled. Monroe County received the Recycling Excellence Award from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in 2012 for being the leader in the West-Central Wisconsin Region in recycling. The award states the County's recycling program "...exceeds the DNR expectations and leads the way for other communities..." We can all be proud of this award!

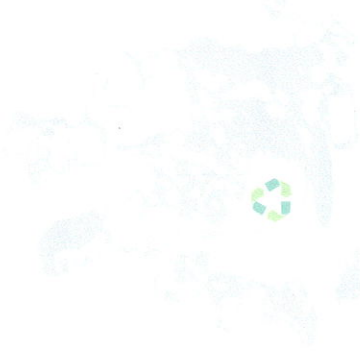
WHERE DO MY RECYCLABLES GO?

In Monroe County, all recyclables go to a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) where they are separated, prepared, packaged, and shipped out for resale. These recycled materials are beneficially reused to make new manufactured products.

AM I REQUIRED TO SORT MATERIALS?

Recyclables are collected single-stream in Monroe County, which makes it easy and convenient for residents to recycle. All the listed items on the back of this page, are put into one recycling container with some small preparation required. These materials are further sorted at the MRF as shown above, on a conveyor system. Please read how to prepare these four categories:

- *Plastics
- *Papers
- *Glass
- *Metals



*See back of flyer for way to recycle materials properly

WHAT ITEMS ARE RECYCLED AND

HOW DO I PREPARE?

PLASTICS (with # 1-7 are accepted)

- Remove caps and lids
- Rinse to clean and flatten to save space
- **No Styrofoam, plastic film or bags**



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PAPER Newspaper, cardboard, brown grocery bags, magazines and mixed paper.

- Junk mail, cereal boxes, glossy ads and envelopes
- **NO Tissue paper, paper toweling or wax paper**

GLASS (bottles and jars only)

- Remove caps and lids
- Rinse thoroughly to remove food
- **No window glass, light bulbs, ceramic dishes.**

TIN/ALUMINUM CANS

- Rinse cans and trays,
- **Aerosol Cans MUST be empty**

Thanks for your recycling efforts!

Call with questions... Your Solid Waste Dept.

608-269-8783