

New! Alternate Week Recycling Collection

Important Changes to your Recycling Pick Up Schedule & Procedure

Effective January 1, 2019, cardboard and paper products will NOT be picked up the same week as bottles, cans and plastic #1- #6. Pick up will be on alternating weeks:

Cardboard and paper will be picked up one week along with waste.

Bottles, cans and plastic #1- #6 will be picked up the next week along with waste.

This change will improve efficiency, reduce costs, use less fuel and reduce carbon emissions.

Cardboard & Paper Only

What must I recycle?

- Newspaper
- Office paper/envelopes
- Magazines & Junk mail
- Phone & paperback books
- Cardboard boxes & packaging e.g., cereal, pasta boxes
- Shipping/appliance boxes (Remove all packing material)

How do I prepare cardboard & paper for pick up?

Choose any or a combination of the following options:

1. ***Preferred:** Place items directly in your existing recycling bin or an old garbage pail. **Do not bag or bundle.** Clearly mark the pail with the decal enclosed and use this pail only for cardboard and paper.
2. Create a bundle: Tie newspaper and other materials into bundles with cord or twine, no higher than 10 inches high and 36 inches long or put in a paper bag.
3. Put shipping, appliance, gift boxes directly out for collection—**No need to break them down.**



Commingled Glass, Cans & Plastic #1-6 Only

What must I recycle?

- Glass bottles (clear and colored)
- Foil pie plates & Aluminum foil (Clean)
- Metal bottle caps
- Metal cans including empty aerosol cans
- Plastic containers and plastic #1- #6



How do I prepare bottles, cans, glass and plastic #1-#6 for pick up?

Place items directly in your existing recycling pail or an old garbage pail. **Do not use recycling bags.** Clearly mark the pail with the decal enclosed and use this pail only for bottles, cans, glass and plastic #1-#6.

*Everything must be rinsed.





RECYCLING MARKET CHANGES LIMIT ACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES

Recycling buyers will no longer accept contaminated recyclables and certain types of plastics due to changes in the recycling market. Please carefully review and follow these **NEW RULES** for what can and cannot be recycled in North Castle.

RECYCLABLE PLASTIC AND GLASS

(Must be clean and rinsed)

- Plastic bottles with recycling nos. 1 - 6
- Plastic containers with recycling nos. 1 - 6
- Glass bottles and jars
- Aluminum cans (including beer, soda, vegetable, soup)
- Plastic jugs (including laundry detergent bottles) with recycling symbol nos. 1 - 6
- Empty aerosol cans
- Plastic and metal coffee cans

RECYCLABLE CARDBOARD AND PAPER

(Must be clean and dry)

- Cardboard boxes without packing materials
- Fed Ex and UPS type boxes with plastic label sleeve removed
- Direct mail and magazines
- Brown paper bags
- Pasta and cereal boxes
- Shoe boxes with tissue and packing materials removed
- Newspaper
- Envelopes that do not have plastic attached
- Non-soiled aluminum foil

THE "NEW" NO's

Items that are no longer accepted in recycling:

- No wax cardboard containers (like brown take out containers)
- No prescription/medicine bottles
- No coffee cups, no coffee cup hot sleeves and no coffee cup lids or straws
- No paper towel or toilet paper cores
- No pizza boxes (causes contamination)
- No frozen food boxes
- No juice boxes or milk/juice cartons
- No plastic gardening pots
- No cardboard egg cartons

ITEMS THAT NEVER WERE RECYCLABLE:

- Styrofoam
- Plastic bags, including dry cleaning bags
- Plastic or metal hangers
- Shrink wrap
- Snack bags
- Laundry baskets
- Metal items like furniture, utensils
- Compostable items
- Plastic toys

THE RULES OF RECYCLING HAVE CHANGED. WHEN IN DOUBT IT IS BETTER TO THROW AN ITEM OUT WITH YOUR WASTE RATHER THAN RISK CONTAMINATING THE RECYCLABLES. ALMOST 30% OF RECYCLED ITEMS END UP IN LANDFILLS DUE TO CONTAMINATION.

REMEMBER-IT IS BEST TO REDUCE, THEN REUSE AND FINALLY RECYCLE.