



NEW SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING CHECKLIST

Single Stream recycling will make a tremendous difference in Opelika! Recycling conserves natural resources, reduces energy consumption, and allows us to save money through fewer trips to the landfill and fuel costs to have our trucks haul garbage and trash to be dumped! The City is putting forward a plan that will make a difference for years to come! With YOUR HELP we can all make that happen!

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS for RECYCLING.

- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Office papers
- Catalogs
- Junk Mail
- Phone Books
- Corrugated Cardboard (Place in trailers.)
- Plastic Containers (Plastic bottles and jugs should be crushed.)
- Aluminum Cans
- Steel Cans

WASH AND CLEAN ALL FOOD CONTAINERS.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTABLE!!!

- NO GLASS (Jeter Recycling Center will take.)
- NO PLASTIC BAGS. (Please return to the stores that gave them to you. All Material must be loose in the cart. No bagged recycle material. No bags full of bags.)
- NO GARBAGE, TRASH OR WOOD.



- NO STYROFOAM.
- NO CLOTHES HANGERS
- NO GARDEN HOSES.

If you have any questions contact us at 334.705.5480.

See back for full explanation.

NO GLASS. Glass will contaminate our loads and the Columbus Recycling Facility will *reject them* because their facility is not designed to process glass. Our Jeter Site will accept glass and it will be shipped directly to a glass recycling facility in Atlanta, GA.

NO PLASTIC BAGS. All recycling should be placed in the black containers loose – i.e. *not* bagged. To process recycling at the Columbus Recycling Facility all material has to be loose. To get a better understanding of single-stream recycling and why material must be loose, please check out the Columbus Recycling Facility and Sustainability Center at: <https://youtu.be/g7oGPGdd2nA> .

NO GARBAGE, TRASH OR WOOD. These items will contaminate our loads and they will be rejected for the same reasons the center will not process glass. Their facility is not designed to handle garbage, trash or wood.

If you have any questions, or want more information, please feel free to call the Solid Waste Department at (334) 705-5480.