The list of items that are required to be recycled is growing.

Recycling Requirements
See back for new guidelines

Supply accessible recycling containers.
Communicate information annually including how and what to recycle.
Post sign showing what to place in recycling bin.

Recycling requirements apply to commercial, government, and residential properties.

- Office Properties
- Retail Stores and Malls
- Grocery Stores
- Food & Beverage Establishments
- Medical Facilities
- Hotels, Motels, Inns
- Industrial Facilities & Warehouses
- Religious Buildings
- Private/Charter/Public Schools
- Colleges and Universities
- Apartments & Condos
- Assisted Living Facilities
- Government Buildings
- Mixed-use Properties
- Other Large Venues (e.g. Museums, Sports Arenas, Convention Centers)

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**Accepted Items**

**PAPER**
- Flattened Cardboard
- Cups & Containers
- Milk, Juice & Soup Cartons
- Newspapers/Magazines
- Books/Phone Books
- Junk Mail & Office Paper
  (all items clean & empty)
  *No Tissue

**PLASTIC**
- Bottles, Cups, Containers & Lids
  (all items clean & empty)
  *No Plastic Bags
  *No Foam Polystyrene
  *No Straws or Utensils

**METAL**
- Steel & Aluminum
- Bottles/Cans/Containers
  (all items clean & empty)
  *No Paint Cans

**GLASS**
- Glass Bottles /Jars
  (all items clean & empty)
  *No Windows or Ceramics

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**How to Prepare Your Recyclables**

- Recyclables should be clean & empty.
- Do not bag recyclables. Leave loose in container.
- No Items smaller than 2” x 2”.
  *No utensils, straws, small dressing or condiment cups.
- Include only listed items.
- Questions? Visit dpw.dc.gov/recyclingcompostlist

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