

How to Properly Recycle in the Town of North Hempstead

Metal, Glass Bottles & Jars, Plastic Bottles & Jugs

aluminum foil wrap & trays FREE of food	metal cans	household metal	glass bottles & jars	plastic bottles & jugs (#1 & #2 plastics)
				

The night before your designated recycling day, set out metal, glass, and plastics recyclables at the curb in 30–55 gallon CLEAR plastic bags or a labeled 20–32 gallon recycling bin (preferably blue).

To label your bin, use metal, glass & plastic recycling decals or write “Recycle: Metal, Glass and Plastics” in permanent marker.

If an item is so contaminated with food that it can’t be **rinsed or cleaned**, then throw it out with your trash.



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Mixed Paper and Cardboard

newspapers & magazines	white & colored paper, junk mail & shredded paper	soft cover books and folders	brown cardboard & corrugated cardboard
			

The night before your designated recycling day, set out paper recyclables at the curb in 30–55 gallon CLEAR plastic bags or a labeled 20–32 gallon recycling bin (preferably green).

To label your bin, use paper recycling decals or write “Recycle: Paper” in permanent marker.

Break up and flatten corrugated cardboard boxes into pieces small enough to fit in and then fall out of recycling containers when emptied by collection workers. Otherwise empty, flatten, bundle, and tie boxes.



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Yard Waste

leaves and grass	brush and small tree trimmings	plant materials and spent soils generated by “do it yourself” efforts
		

Set out yard waste at the curb the night before your designated yard waste collection day using Paper Lawn & Leaf Bags or set out loose in a labeled 20–32 gallon bin (preferably brown).

To label your bin, use yard waste decals or write “Yard Waste” in permanent marker.

Brush and small branches (less than 2 inches in diameter) must be cut up to fit inside the bin or paper bag. Otherwise, tie into bundles that don't exceed 4 feet in length and 2 feet in width.



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