

## Understanding Plastic Recycling Symbols



Action Environmental customers can recycle all plastic items numbered 1-7 via our curbside recycling program. If a plastic item is deemed unrecyclable (typically plastics 3 and 6), Action Environmental will dispose of it properly.

Symbol	Polymer Name		Product Examples	Recyclable Curbside?
PETE	Polyethylene Terephthalate (PETE or PET)	<ul> <li>Soft drink bottles</li> <li>Water bottles</li> <li>Sports drink bottles</li> <li>Salad dressing bottles</li> <li>Vegetable oil bottles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Peanut butter jars</li> <li>Pickle jars</li> <li>Jelly jars</li> <li>Prepared food trays</li> <li>Mouthwash bottles</li> </ul>	Yes
2 HDPE	High-density Polyethylene (HDPE)	Milk jugs     Juice bottles     Yogurt tubs     Butter tubs     Cereal box liners	Shampoo bottles     Motor oil bottles     Bleach/detergent bottles     Household cleaner bottles     Grocery bags	Yes *Plastic grocery bags not accepted
ريًّ ک	Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC or V)	<ul> <li>Clear food packaging</li> <li>Wire/cable insulation</li> <li>Pipes/fittings</li> <li>Siding</li> <li>Flooring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fencing</li> <li>Window frames</li> <li>Shower curtains</li> <li>Lawn chairs</li> <li>Children's toys</li> </ul>	Not accepted through most curbside recycling programs.
LDPE	Low-density Polyethylene (LDPE)	<ul> <li>Dry cleaning bags</li> <li>Bread bags</li> <li>Frozen food bags</li> <li>Squeezable bottles</li> <li>Wash bottles</li> </ul>	Dispensing bottles     6 pack rings     Various molded laboratory equipment	Yes
25 <u>5</u> 5	Polypropylene (PP)	Ketchup bottles     Most yogurt tubs     Syrup bottles     Bottle caps     Straws	Dishware     Medicine bottles     Some auto parts     Pails     Packing tape	Yes
6) PS	Polystyrene (PS)	<ul> <li>Disposable plates</li> <li>Disposable cutlery</li> <li>Cafeteria trays</li> <li>Meat trays</li> <li>Egg cartons</li> </ul>	Carry out containers Aspirin bottles CD/video cases Packaging peanuts Other Styrofoam products	Not accepted through most curbside recycling programs.
OTHER	Other Plastics (OTHER or O)	<ul> <li>3/5 gallon water jugs</li> <li>Citrus juice bottles</li> <li>Plastic lumber</li> <li>Headlight lenses</li> <li>Safety glasses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Gas containers</li> <li>Bullet proof materials</li> <li>Acrylic, nylon, polycarbonate</li> <li>Polylactic acid (a bioplastic)</li> <li>Combinations of different plastics</li> </ul>	Yes



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