CONTAINER PLACEMENT GUIDE

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CONTAINER DO'S
- Place containers on a flat, hard surface. Clear of snow and other landscaping debris and at least three feet from edge of curb.
- Please keep containers upright for pickup.
- Keep all container & bags remain upright for pickup.
- Place container at the curb the night before pickup.
- Place materials at the curb the night before pickup.
- Do not place power lines, etc. low hanging tree branches or poles. There must also be a 15' perimeter of clearance from landscape debris and no more than 6' from edge of curb.
- Please allow container a 5' clearance of all obstructions.
- Keep container on a hard, level surface clear of snow and other landscaping debris and at least three feet from edge of curb.
- Please keep containers upright for pickup.
- Please allow at least 2' of clearance between the container and the trash bag.
- Recyclables must be empty and rinsed clean of food residue. Corrugated cardboard boxes should be broken down into 2' max pieces. DO NOT newspaper, cardboard or junk with items. Handles should be removed from containers or paper bags.
- What type of metal can I recycle in my bin? Aluminium and tin cans are acceptable. NOT ACCEPTED: Crew necks, cardboard or jugs with twine. Handles should be removed from containers or paper bags.

CONTAINER DON'TS
- Materials must be inside the container. NO. Place materials inside the container because this enables paper, cardboard, plastic, glass, and metal to be separated.
- Call out of Anthracite. Do not place so that it fits into the cart with the lid.
- Paper cups have a thin, plastic lining or waxed finish and are not recyclable.
- Why aren't paper cups recyclable? Cardboard and paper are made from different materials: paper is renewable while cardboard is not. Paper cups are lined with a thin layer of polyethylene that prevents them from being recycled. Polyethylene is a type of plastic that cannot be recycled. Can I recycle pizza boxes? NO. Cardboard pizza boxes are not recyclable. Fleece Jackets are made of plastic and cannot be recycled. Can I recycle fleece jackets? YES! Recyclable materials include poly, pans, aerosol cans, and scrap metal such as automotive parts, motors, and appliances or any other metal items.
- Can I put grocery bags into my Zero-Sort bin or place recyclables in plastic bags? NO. Plastics of any kind are not accepted in Zero-Sort recycling. To recycle grocery bags, please bring them to a participating grocery or retail store.
- Can I recycle pizza boxes? Yes, you can recycle pizza boxes with light grease stains. Boxes with very heavy food or dropping grease cannot be recycled but they are compostable.
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CONTAINER LOCATION

- Please place your containers at the curb. There will be a one-day delay in service on the following holidays: Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year’s Day.
- This guide illustrates the proper and improper placement of your curbside container and offers tips to help with the curbside collection of materials.

CONTAINER MARKINGS

- May contain cardboard, plastic, glass, and metal. Recyclables must be empty and rinsed clean of food residue. Corrugated cardboard boxes should be broken down into 2' max pieces. DO NOT newspaper, cardboard or junk with items. Handles should be removed from containers or paper bags.
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