Tips

- Before you throw something in the garbage, ask yourself:
  - Can I donate this item?
  - Should I put this in my recycling bin?
  - Should this be saved for a Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection Event or taken back to the retailer?
  - Can it be put in with my back yard composting?
  - Flatten cardboard boxes.
  - Rinse residue from containers.
  - Recycling is good for your wallet. It costs less to recycle than to landfill or incinerate garbage.

For more information, including how and where to recycle Hazardous Materials, Electronics and Medications, you can contact:

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Who is required to recycle in Dutchess County?

Everyone!

It’s the law.
Did You Know?

- You don’t have to look for the number on the bottom of plastics. All plastics, except Styrofoam® and plastic bags, may be put in the bin.

- There is no need to remove: paper clips, stamps, staples, metal fasteners, cellophane address windows, rubber bands, spiral bindings or plastic tabs.

- Metal jar lids, steel bottle caps and foil may be put in the bin.

- There is no need to flatten cans or remove labels.

- Recyclable materials are found everywhere in your home. Toothbrushes, pizza boxes, phone books, plastic berry baskets, and empty aerosol cans may be put in the bin.

For Your Recycling Bin

**Glass**

- Glass Jars and Bottles of Any Size and Color

**Metal**

- Aluminum Cans and Foil, Metal Cans, Metal Jar Lids, Empty Aerosol Cans

**Plastic**

- Food and Beverage Containers, including Bottles, Jars, Jugs and Juice Cartons

**Paper**

- All Paper, including Newspaper, Magazines, Corrugated Cardboard, Dry Food Cartons, Regular and Junk Mail, including Envelopes

For more information on how and where to recycle these materials please visit: www.Dutchessny.gov/solidwaste

Not For Your Recycling Bin

- Plastic Bags (bring them to your local retailer’s collection bin)

- Styrofoam®

- Plastic Film (food wraps, dry cleaning bags)

- Liquids

- Alkaline Batteries

- Ceramic or Pyrex Dishware

- Mirrors

- Scrap Metal (bring to a scrap metal recycler)

- Electronic Waste (bring to an electronics collection event)

- Syringes (dispose of properly at a local hospital or health facility)

- Hazardous Materials (bring to a hazardous waste collection event)