

COMPOST

Soiled Paper
污紙
Papel sucio



Food Scraps
廚餘
Desechos de alimentos



Plants
植物
Plantas



NO PLASTIC BAGS

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PUT THESE MATERIALS IN YOUR GREEN COMPOST BIN

Dirty Paper

- Coffee filters
- Greasy pizza boxes and paper bags
- Paper cups and plates
- Paper ice cream containers (metal rim is OK)
- Paper napkins, tissues and paper towels
- Paper take-out boxes and containers
- Waxy paper milk and juice cartons (no foil liner)

Food Scraps

- All fruits and vegetables (pits and shells too)
- Coffee grounds and paper filter
- Dairy products (no liquids)
- Eggshells and eggs
- Leftovers and spoiled food
- Meat (including bones)
- Seafood (including shellfish)

Plants

- Branches and brush
- Flowers and floral trimmings
- Grasses and weeds
- Leaves
- Tree trimmings (less than 6 inches diameter and 4 feet long)

Other

- Bags labeled "Compostable" only
- Corks — natural
- Cotton balls/cotton swabs with paper stems
- Hair, fur, and feathers (non-synthetic/colored)
- Plastic clearly labeled "Compostable"
- Vegetable wood crates (metal wire OK)
- Waxed cardboard and paper
- Wood — small pieces of clean wood/sawdust (no plywood/pressboard/painted/stained/treated)
- Wooden chopsticks, coffee stirrers, toothpicks

PLEASE **DO NOT** PLACE THESE MATERIALS INTO YOUR GREEN COMPOST BIN!

Put these in your **Blue Recycle Bin** instead

- Aluminum foil or trays
- Glass, bottles or jars
- Metal cans and lids
- Plastic not labeled "Compostable"
- Recyclable/clean cardboard or paper

Put these items in your **Black Landfill Bin**

- Foil-backed or plastic-backed paper
- Juice or soy milk type boxes with foil liner



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NO GLASS

These items **don't** belong in your Green or Blue Bins, but should still be recycled

Visit [SFEnvironment.org/ecofinder](https://www.sfenvironment.org/ecofinder) for more recycling options

- Batteries — small residential quantities can be recycled at many SF pharmacies/hardware stores
- Cooking oil — call SF Greasecycle, 415.695.7312, for drop-off locations or collection options
- Electronics
- Hangers — take to your local garment cleaner for reuse
- Plastic bags and wrappers — recycle clean plastic bags at all California supermarkets.
- Shoes — all shoes can be re-used or recycled. Check our ecofinder for options.

RECYCLE

Clean Paper

乾淨紙張
Papel limpio



Plastic

塑膠
Plástico



Bottles & Cans

玻璃瓶,鐵罐及鋁
產品
Botellas y latas



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PUT THESE MATERIALS IN YOUR **BLUE RECYCLE BIN**

Paper

All clean and dry paper

- Cardboard (non-waxed)
- Cereal boxes (remove plastic liner)
- Egg cartons
- Envelopes (windows OK)
- Junk mail and magazines
- Packing or craft paper
- Paper bags
- Phonebooks
- Sticky notes
- Shredded paper (place in sealed paper bag and label "Shredded Paper")
- Wrapping paper (non-metallic)

Glass

- Glass bottles and jars only (metal caps and lids too)

Metal

- Aluminum cans
- Aluminum foil/trays (ball foil up to softball size)
- Metal caps and lids
- Paint cans (must be empty or dry)
- Spray cans (must be empty)
- Steel (tin) cans

Plastics

No plastic bags, wrappers, or Styrofoam

- Bottles (leave caps on)
- Buckets (metal handle OK)
- Coffee cup lids
- Containers and clamshells
- Corks—plastic
- Cups and plates (plastic only, no styrofoam)
- Flower pots and trays
- Toys (no electronics, metal or batteries)
- Tubs and lids

PLEASE **DO NOT** PLACE THESE MATERIALS INTO YOUR BLUE RECYCLING BIN!

Put these in your **Green Compost Bin** instead

- Dirty paper (plates, napkins, tissues, take-out boxes)
- Food
- Paper coffee cups
- Plant material
- Plastic labeled "Compostable"
- Waxy/greasy paper or waxy cardboard
- Wood — no plywood/pressboard or treated, stained, painted wood

Put these items in your **Black Landfill Bin** instead

- Ceramic dishware or glassware
- Diapers and feminine products
- Foil-backed or plastic-backed paper
- Glass (other than bottles and jars)
- Juice or soy milk type boxes with foil/plastic liner
- Light bulbs — Incandescent only are OK for trash
- Plastic items mixed with metal, fabric or rubber
- Rubber or latex gloves

These **don't** belong in your Blue or Green Bins, but should still be recycled

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- Batteries — small residential quantities can be recycled at many SF pharmacies/hardware stores
- Cooking oil — call SF Greasecycle, 415.695.7312, for drop-off locations or collection options
- Construction and demolition debris
- Electronics
- Hangers — take to your local garment cleaner for reuse
- Large items (furniture, metal, plastics, etc.)
- Light bulbs containing mercury (Fluorescent/HID)
- Metals other than cans or lids (pots/pans/scrap metal)
- Plastic bags and wrappers — recycle clean plastic bags at all California supermarkets
- Shoes — all shoes can be re-used or recycled. For more information go to SFEnvironment.org/ecofinder
- Styrofoam — take to local shipping store for reuse
- Wood (pallets and other)



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ALMOST NOTHING GOES TO LANDFILL



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PUT THESE MATERIALS IN YOUR BLACK LANDFILL BIN

These items go in your Black Landfill Bin because there are currently no recycling options in San Francisco

- Ceramic dishware or glassware
- Diapers
- Feminine products
- Foil-backed or plastic-backed paper
- Glass (other than bottles and jars)
- Juice or soy milk type boxes with foil or plastic liner
- Kitty litter and animal feces (bagged)
- Light bulbs – Incandescent only, no mercury-containing bulbs ie: fluorescent or HID
- Plastic items mixed with metal, fabric or rubber
- Plastic labeled “Biodegradable” because it can not be composted
- Rubber or latex gloves or rubber bands
- Plywood, pressboard, and painted, stained or treated wood

These items may be put in your Black Landfill Bin, but you can find recycling options for them

- Cooking grease – call SF Greasecycle, 415.695.7312, for drop-off locations or collection options
- Hangers – take back to a garment cleaner for reuse
- Pens and pencils – SFEEnvironment.org/reuse
- Plastic bags – recycle clean, dry plastic bags at all California supermarkets
- Shoes – all shoes can be re-used or recycled. Check our ecofinder for options. For more information go to SFEEnvironment.org/ecofinder.
- Styrofoam – take packing peanuts to your local shipping store for reuse, or find recycling options at SFEEnvironment.org/ecofinder or call 415.330.1300

PLEASE **DO NOT** PLACE THESE MATERIALS INTO YOUR BLACK BIN!

They are against city ordinance or state law to place in the landfill

- Food, dirty or waxy paper, waxy cardboard, or plants (Compostables) – [Green Compost Bin](#)
- Plastic labeled “Compostable” – [Green Compost Bin](#)
- Recyclable clean paper / cardboard, glass, metal or plastic – [Blue Recycle Bin](#)

Find recycling options for these toxic items at SFEEnvironment.org/ecofinder or call 415.330.1300

- Appliances
- Asbestos
- Batteries – small residential quantities can be recycled at many SF pharmacies/hardware stores
- Construction debris – SFEEnvironment.org/c&d
- Electronics
- Household hazardous waste or chemicals
- Large items (furniture, metal, plastic, wood, etc.)
- Light bulbs containing mercury (Fluorescent/HID)
- Motor oil
- Needles or syringes
- Paint
- Toys with electronics or batteries