

The Recycler

Wasting Food Wastes More Than Food!

The food supply chain is complex and generates significant greenhouse gas emissions. When food is wasted, the resources used to grow, harvest, process, transport, store, and cook that food are wasted too. (epa.gov)

Households across the state are reducing food spoilage with tips and tricks that make a big difference. Reducing food spoilage saves real money and helps to save resources.

1) Plan ahead

Plan out meals for a few days or a week so you only buy what you need.

2) Store Food properly

Not all foods can be stored the same. Learn more about optimal food storage at <https://savethefood.com/storage>.

3) Freeze before food goes bad

Freezing food helps extend its life.

4) Get Creative

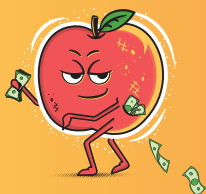
Use your imagination to creatively use up leftovers like soups, casserole, salads, etc. Incorporate a fun theme, Wasteless Wednesdays, Leftover Buffet one day a week for dinner.



JOIN OTHERS AND BE PART OF THE SOLUTION TO STOP WASTED FOOD.

An estimated 40% of all food produced or imported for consumption in the US is never eaten. Learn more about reducing food waste at dontletgoodfoodgobad.org

Whole wheat flour should be kept in the fridge?! Learn more about optimal food storage at savethefood.com/storage



FOOD SCRAPS can be mixed with YARD WASTE



Interested in FOOD PRESERVATION?

Go to extension.oregonstate.edu/lane and click on Nutrition Education to learn more information or find local workshops.



Oregon State University
Extension Service
Lane County



NO BATTERIES IN SANIPAC CONTAINERS.

Check our app to learn where to dispose.

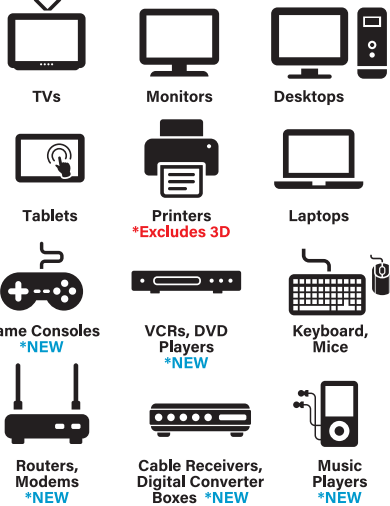
MONSTER IN YOUR CLOSET?

Effective January 1st, 2026
more items can be recycled
through Oregon E-Cycles.



Electronics Disposal Ban

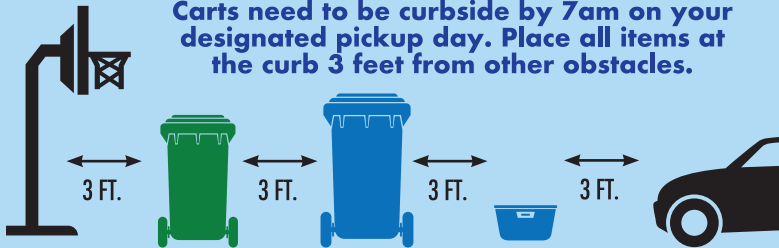
Electronic waste is prohibited from disposal in the garbage or at disposal sites such as landfills, incinerators, and transfer stations.



Oregon E-Cycles:
Free Recycling for
common electronics.
1-888-532-9253

If your electronics are in
working condition please
consider donating or
repairing the items before
taking them for e-cycling.

Carts need to be curbside by 7am on your
designated pickup day. Place all items at
the curb 3 feet from other obstacles.



HAUL-i-DAYS

If your pick up day falls on or following one of
these holidays, your pick up will be one day later
ending with Friday's pick up being done on
Saturday. Example: Thanksgiving Day only
affects Thursday and Friday customers.

New Years Day
Memorial Day
4th of July
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

YARD DEBRIS & KITCHEN COMPOSTING

Place in your gray yard debris cart anything that grows above the ground.
Including: fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds, plate scrapings, meat, bones,
dairy products, baked goods, kitchen trimmings, grass, leaves, branches up to
4" in diameter, brush, fruit tree discards, and vegetation.

CLOSE THE LID
120 LBS LIMIT
NO DIRT OR ROCKS
NO BAGS

NO PET WASTE
NO POISON OAK
NO COMPOSTABLE WARES
(PLATES, SILVERWARE, CUPS)

NEVER MISS YOUR COLLECTION DAY AGAIN!

With our Sanipac Mobile App you can:

- Sign Up for waste collection reminders
- Receive Service Alerts for collection delays
- Search how to properly dispose of materials

Download it for
free at the Apple
or Android store.



COMMINGLE RECYCLE INSTRUCTIONS:

All recycling must be clean! Separating
recyclables from your trash reduces the
amount of waste that ends up in landfills,
saves energy and reduces emissions!

INCLUDE ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:



PLASTIC

Bottles, round containers,
buckets, and rigid plant pots
Caps OK if screwed on. All items
must be 2 inches by 2 inches or
larger.



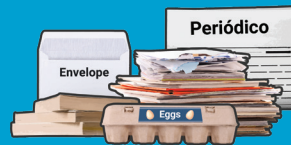
METAL

Aluminum and steel
cans, and scrap metal
Less than 10 pounds and
18 inches.



CARDBOARD AND CARTONS

Flattened cardboard,
packaging boxes, and
food and beverage cartons
Pizza boxes must be empty with
no food residue.



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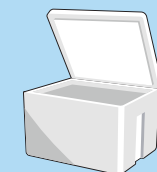
Newspaper, magazines,
office paper, paper egg
cartons, mail, paperback
books, paper bags, and
non-metallic gift wrap

COMMON CONTAMINANTS:



**X Bagged
Recycling**

**X Food &
Beverages**



X Styrofoam



**X Shredded
Paper**

X Clamshells



**X Textiles
(Clothes, Shoes)**



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