



Frequently Asked Questions

Where is your facility located?

2401 South Laflin Street in Chicago. We are conveniently located near the 90/94 and 55 expressways.

Can we recycle pizza boxes?

Yes. We would prefer the pizza boxes be kept clear of food particles.

Do I have to clean the plastic and metal containers that my lunch comes in?

A light rinse is fine. Water is a valuable resource and our sorting process allows for minimal contamination.

Do I have to remove lids from the containers? Like from plastic bottles or tubs?

No, it's not necessary. We used an enclosed machine that minimizes the risk of air pressure build up.

Can I throw paper towels in the recycling containers?

Paper towels should not be included in the recycling containers. Most paper towels are already made up of post-consumer recycled materials. If your building offers a compost program, then paper towels can be placed in the compost bins.

Can post-its/window envelopes be placed in the recycling containers?

Yes, post-its and envelopes with plastic windows can be placed in the recycling containers. Also, if papers are bound together with staples, rubber bands or paper clips, they don't need to be removed.

Can laminated envelopes be placed in the recycling containers?

Yes, envelopes such as FedEx or UPS letter packaging can be placed in the recycling containers.

Can we place bottles, cans, glass and white paper in the same container?

We use different recycling collection containers to minimize the risk of contaminants and liquids. If the bottles are empty, they can be placed in the same container.

Can plastic bags be recycled with plastic containers?

Yes.

Can I recycle Styrofoam?

At this time, we do not accept #6 PS plastics, known as polystyrene. It comes in two forms, expanded (fluffy and white) and rigid (clear). This plastic is mostly air, often coated with food contaminates, and can cost up to 300% more than other commodities to recycle due to its lightweight nature, lack of market competition and high transportation costs.

Thanks for Supporting Your Building's Recycling Program!