

Recycling Guide for County Collections

YES

Paper: office paper, newspaper, mail, milk cartons



Plastic: bottles, containers and plastic playsets



Metal: aluminum and steel cans, foil, EMPTY aerosol cans



Glass: bottles and jars



Cardboard: clean and flattened



NO

Paper: disposable plates & cups, ice cream containers, wax paper



Plastic: packaging, Styrofoam™ containers, jewel cases



Metal: scrap metal, wires and hangers



Glass: window glass, mirrors



Cardboard: food stained cardboard, foam packaging



Curbside Collection Details

Place your recyclable paper, plastic, cans, glass and cardboard together in the County provided blue container or in a see-through bag. No need to remove lids or labels, but please make sure containers are **EMPTY**.

General Tips for Set-Out

- Recycling containers are for recycling **ONLY**. Trash and yard trim placed out in recycling containers will **NOT** be collected.
- Nontransparent bags of recyclables will **NOT** be collected (this includes white bags).
- Place carts and items within 5 feet of the nearest public road.
- Items must be placed out before 6am of collection day.
- County issued blue recycling containers **MUST STAY AT THE ASSIGNED ADDRESS**.

Holiday Slide Schedule

No collections will be made on:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day

For a holiday listed above and the rest of that week, **ALL** trash, recycling and yard trim collections will slide to the next day.

For a printable holiday collection schedule visit www.HowardCountyMD.gov/HolidaySchedule

Inclement Weather

Weather events may also impact collections, please visit our website for details.

Stay in the Loop!

Our monthly email has updates, collection reminders, upcoming events and more! Visit HowardCountyRecycles.org or call 410-313-6444 to sign up.

For a detailed list of acceptable material, visit www.HowardCountyRecycles.org

No yard trim or trash in your recycling container. Recyclables in nontransparent bags will not be collected. Place carts and items within 5 feet of the nearest public road by 6 a.m.

Recycle Beyond The Bin

Plastic Bags

Plastic bags & stretch film should be returned to stores for recycling.

Bulk Item & Scrap Metal Collection

Please consider reuse options first! Pick up of bulk trash items or scrap metal must be scheduled. Call 410-313-6444 or visit HowardCountyBulkPickup.org

Styrofoam™

Foam packaging, clean food trays, cups, containers and egg cartons marked with #6 can be recycled at Alpha Ridge Landfill. No foam peanuts, insulation or other non-foam #6 containers.

www.HowardCountyMD.gov/Styrofoam

Composting

The County provides free bins for backyard composting.

www.HowardCountyMD.gov/Composting

Yard Trim Recycling

Use paper bags or reusable containers for curbside yard trim collection or Alpha Ridge drop-off.

www.HowardCountyMD.gov/YardTrim

Get Rid of Stuff

Find reuse and recycling options for almost everything!

www.HowardCountyMD.gov/WhatShouldIDoWith

Questions?

410-313-6444

help@HowardCountyRecycles.org

www.HowardCountyRecycles.org

Twitter: @HoCoRecycles

Alpha Ridge Landfill

2350 Marriottsville Road

Hours: 8am to 4pm, Monday - Saturday

The ARL Convenience Center provides more recycling options to Howard County residents; just show your driver's license.

- Antifreeze
- Appliances
- Batteries
- Cooking Oil
- Electronics
- Food Scraps
- Mattresses & Box Springs
- Oyster Shells
- Reusable Building Material
- Styrofoam #6
- and much more!

For a map of the Convenience Center and current details about Alpha Ridge Landfill, visit www.HowardCountyMD.gov/ARL



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