

**City of Fort Worth Recycling Guide** – Information from the [City of Fort Worth](#) (last updated 8/27/07)

<b>Materials</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Where does it go?</b>
Advertising circulars, carbonless paper.	Paperclips and staples are okay. Must be dry.	Put accepted recyclables in BLUE cart.  Do not bag or separate recyclables. Flatten or cut large boxes, if necessary; items left outside the cart will not be picked up. Roll garbage and recycling carts to the front curb by 7 a.m. of your pickup day. If you wish, set out cart as early as 6 p.m. the night before. Place cart so that the handle faces your house and the serial number faces the street. The lid must be completely closed. Place cart at least two feet from garbage cart, utility poles, parked cars or other items that collection equipment could damage. Place cart a few inches from the curb or edge of the street; do not place cart in street for safety reasons.
Envelopes – with or without windows		
Junk mail, catalogs, magazines.		
Newspapers – all sections.		
Office paper – file folders, letterhead, sticky notes, printer paper, calendars, school papers.		
Paperback books, phone books.		
Cardboard boxes, chipboard (like cereal and tissue boxes). See below for corrugated cardboard.	Flatten all boxes to get more use of your cart.	
Steel, tin, and aluminum (paint cans, aerosol cans, food containers, etc.)	Please rinse. Labels can be left on. Remove any lids (unless part of can/object.) All colors accepted.	
Plastic (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7)		
Aerosol cans (non-hazardous)		
Glass jars, containers, dishes, drinking glasses, and vases.		
Ceramics, china, dishes, mirrors, windowpanes	Please rinse. Labels can be left on. No auto glasses. Mirrors must fit inside cart with lid closed.	
Corrugated cardboard	Large boxes must be broken down or cut to fit inside the cart.	

**Items not recycled:**

- Household trash
- Aluminum foil
- Aluminum bake ware - disposable
- Auto glass
- Clothing or bedding
- Drink boxes and straws
- Garden hoses
- Gift wrap and greeting cards
- Hangers (plastic or metal)
- Hard cover books
- Light bulbs
- Medical waste (including syringes, lancets, IV bags, IV tubing and medications)
- Paper milk and juice cartons
- Paper that is designed to hold moist food, including pizza boxes, some frozen food containers, waxed drinking cups, etc.

- **Plastic containers that held hazardous materials** such as gasoline, motor oil, paint, pesticide or weed killer. Throw *empty* containers in the trash. Dispose of leftover household chemicals for free at the Environmental Collection Center, 6400 Bridge St. Call 817-871-5257 for hours of operation, directions and a complete list of materials accepted or visit [www.fortworthgov.org/dem/eccpg.htm](http://www.fortworthgov.org/dem/eccpg.htm)
- Plastic bags including grocery sacks, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, etc.
- Toys
- Styrofoam® (foamed polystyrene) cups, food containers, formed packing, “peanuts”, etc.
- Waxed paper and waxed food containers
- Yard trimmings