

# *Simply*

*Recycling made simple*

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If you're ever standing at the recycling bin,  
confused about which bin to put something in,  
this resource is perfect for you.

Keep it simple by remembering the five material types that go in the recycling bin.  
There will always be tricky items, but if you get the basics right, you're giving your recycling  
a chance to be recovered and turned into something new. If in doubt, leave it out.

***So don't complicate it.***





## ***What's inside***

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## *Things to recycle every time*

Keep recycling **clean, dry and  
unbagged** to maximise recovery



**Paper**



**Cardboard**



**Glass**



**Plastic**



**Tin/aluminium**



## *Things to leave out of your recycling bin*

**Contamination** in your bin  
can ruin your recycling



### **Textiles**

Repurpose or donate



### **Broken glass**

Bag in general waste bin



### **Leftover food**

Compost or organics bin,  
or general waste



### **Soft plastic**

dispose of in general waste bin



### **Liquids**

Remove all liquids from containers

# Handy recycling tips

*Take your recycling to the next level with these simple tips*





## ***What everyday items can't I recycle?***

*These everyday items simply don't belong in your recycling bin*



## Keep food, liquids, soft plastic and textiles out of recycling

### What is contamination?

Contamination happens when we put the wrong things in the recycling bin



Soft plastic



Textiles



Green waste



Food and liquids

### Why are food and liquids a problem?

Food and liquids contaminate other materials in the bin, making it unrecyclable



Take batteries and e-waste to specialised drop off points like Officeworks for further processing



A quick tip and rinse to make sure containers are empty



**What should I do?**



Donate old clothes in good condition to local charities



Remove greasy half of pizza boxes before recycling



Save food and liquids for the compost heap





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