



2017  
Multi-Family

# Recycling Guide

Your guide to trash and  
recycling in Kirkland



**Plastic** Recycle plastics by shape — ignore the number! Screw or snap caps and lids back on.

## Bottles



## Cups + Tubs



## Trays + Clamshells



## Jugs



## Clean Paper



**Metal** Metal items larger than 3", under 2'x2', and less than 35 pounds. No sharp or greasy parts. No wood, plastic, rubber attachments or casings (pot handles are OK).



**Glass** Recycle glass by shape. No metal lids or corks.

## Bottles



## Jars



## Lids

3"

Lids — both metal and plastic — must be 3 inches wide to recycle loose. Smaller plastic lids must be screwed on or snapped on. Smaller metal lids must be thrown away.



## Don't put these in your recycling

We do not accept the items below because they cause problems during the recycling process or are contaminated with food.

No Plastic Bags



No Foil



No Dirty Items



## Not sure what you can recycle?

City of Kirkland Recycling Hotline  
(425) 587-3812 | [recycle@kirklandwa.gov](mailto:recycle@kirklandwa.gov)

# Garbage

Bagged | No hazardous waste

## Non-Recyclable Plastic

Plastic that isn't a jug, tub, cup, tray or bottle.  
Dirty plastic items.

### Plastic Packaging



### Styrofoam™



### Plastic Film



### Other Plastic



## Non-Recyclable Metal

Sharp objects, items under 3", wire, chain, and foil.



## Non-Recyclable Glass

Glass that isn't a jar or bottle.  
Broken glass.



## Non-Recyclable Paper



dirty foil or glitter

## Other



latex paint (dried)

cool ashes (double bag)

## Hygiene + Waste



(double bag)

## Special Recycling Programs

Some items, like Styrofoam™ and plastic bags, can be recycled through special programs. See the *What Do I Do With* page.

# Hazardous Waste

CAUTION | WARNING  
DANGER | POISON

Hazardous products should not go in household trash.

Safely dispose for no cost at the Fatoria Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off site, the traveling Wastemobile, or other disposal locations listed below.

## Factoria Household Hazardous Waste

13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue  
Tue-Fri, 8-4, Sat-Sun, 9-5  
No appointment needed.  
[hazwastehelp.org](http://hazwastehelp.org)  
[haz.waste@kingcounty.gov](mailto:haz.waste@kingcounty.gov)  
(206) 296-4692

## Is it hazardous?

If the label says DANGER, POISON, WARNING or CAUTION, it is hazardous.

See all accepted materials at [hazwastehelp.org](http://hazwastehelp.org).

## Household Cleaners



## Oil-Based Paint + Solvents



### Latex Paint is Not Hazardous — Throw It Away

Latex paint should be dried out and thrown away:

1. Mix in equal parts kitty litter until it's the consistency of oatmeal.
2. Let sit at least an hour to dry before throwing out.



## Fluorescent Tubes + CFL Bulbs



### Drop Off CFLs in Kirkland

Recycle up to ten CFL bulbs (no tubes) a day at City Hall and Bartell's stores. More drop-off sites on [lightrecycle.org](http://lightrecycle.org).

## Auto Fluids



## Batteries



### Drop Off Household Batteries in Kirkland

Recycle household batteries at City Hall, both Community Centers, the Public Works Maintenance Center and Red Apple Market in Bridle Trails.

## Fuel



# What Do I Do With...?

Some items that can't be recycled inside your cart can be recycled at drop-off sites.



## Large Appliances + Oversize Scrap Metal

Large appliances and oversize scrap metal that doesn't fit in your recycling container can be recycled at the Shoreline Transfer Station.

Scrap metal recycling is available at our Recycling Collection Events.



## Cooking Oil

Recycle used cooking oil at the North Kirkland Community Center at the north end of the parking lot.



## Styrofoam™

Recycle block polystyrene at StyroFest, held once a month at the Maintenance Center. For more information, visit [kirklandwa.gov](http://kirklandwa.gov) and search 'StyroFest'.



Polystyrene can be recycled at the Shoreline Transfer Station and The Good Guys in Woodinville.

Packing peanuts are not accepted at StyroFest; they can be recycled shipping stores like UPS or FedEx.



## Plastic Bags / Film

Accepted items at [bagyourbags.com](http://bagyourbags.com).

Bundle plastic bags and return to grocery stores.

We accept plastic film at StyroFest.

## "What Do I Do With" Directory

Check King County's "What Do I Do With?" directory for more hard-to-dispose items.

[kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith](http://kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith)



## Mattresses

Arrange on-site bulky collection with your property manager.

Recycle mattresses for a small fee at our biannual Recycling Collection Events. Year-round mattress recycling is available in South King County. Details at [takeitbacknetwork.org](http://takeitbacknetwork.org).

Mattresses can be disposed as trash at the Houghton Transfer Station.



## Confidential Papers

Find community shred events on the Attorney General's website at [atg.wa.gov/community-shred-events](http://atg.wa.gov/community-shred-events). Also check with local office stores.

Shredding is available at our biannual Recycling Collection Events.



## Prescription Medication

Anonymously dispose prescription drugs at the Kirkland Justice Center or the Walgreens on 85th Street. More options at (206) 263-1882 or [takebackyourmeds.org](http://takebackyourmeds.org).

Electronics? TVs?

Christmas tree?

Clothing? Shoes?

Details on the following pages.

# Christmas Tree Recycling

Waste Management will collect Christmas trees from your apartment or condominium for no charge during the first two full weeks of January.

- ▶ Place your Christmas tree next to your garbage dumpster.
- ▶ Trees must be no taller than 6 feet tall. Taller trees must be cut in 6 foot or shorter segments.
- ▶ Trees must be unflocked and undecorated.

Pick-ups are made twice a week. To find your pick-up day, visit [kirklandwa.gov/recycle](http://kirklandwa.gov/recycle).



# Electronics Recycling

TVs and computers contain lead, cadmium & mercury. Keep toxics out of our water by keeping e-waste out of the landfill!

## Televisions, Computers + Tablets

Recycle computers, tablets, e-readers, monitors, and laptops through E-Cycle Washington ([ecyclewa.org](http://ecyclewa.org)). In Kirkland, drop off at Goodwill and Value Village.



## Cell Phones

Recycle cell phones at Kirkland City Hall, Goodwill and RadioShack. Find more locations at [call2recycle.org](http://call2recycle.org). Many organizations also accept working cell phones for donation.



## Printers + Toner

Recycle or refill ink cartridges at ECO Cartridge. Outside of Kirkland, recycle printers and toner at Staples and Best Buy.



## Other Electronics

PC Recycle holds electronics collection events at Bridle Trails Shopping Center on the first Saturday of the month. Electronics recycling is available at our biannual Recycling Collection Events.

Find more options for recycling electronics at [takeitbacknetwork.org](http://takeitbacknetwork.org).



# Recycle Clothes + Linens

Donate all clothes and linens – even torn, stained or mismatched.

Recycle clothes and linens through the Threadcycle program. Simply donate clothes, shoes, and linens at Goodwill and Value Village, or find more locations at [kingcounty.gov/threadcycle](http://kingcounty.gov/threadcycle).



## Recycle Like a Pro

Help your recycling get sorted and turned into new products! Everything you put in your recycling cart should be...

**Clean**  
A quick rinse!

**Loose**  
Not in a bag

**Empty**  
Dump it out



# Why Bother Recycling?

- 1** **Garbage is a waste!**  
It costs money and costs the environment.
- 2** **Recycling means materials can be reused over and over, saving new natural resources.**
- 3** **Once a recyclable item is thrown away, it's gone forever.**
- 4** **Recycling creates jobs!**
- 5** **Things don't really break down in the landfill.**  
They stay there and take up space.
- 6** **It's the right choice for the future.**  
Recycling is good for kids that need to live on this planet when they grow up!

It's free and easy to recycle — there's no reason not to.

Need more room for recycling? Contact us at (425) 587-3812 or [recycle@kirklandwa.gov](mailto:recycle@kirklandwa.gov).



Houses recycle 45% of their waste but apartments and condos only recycle 20%.

**Let's do better together!**

Kirkland's trash goes straight to Cedar Hills Landfill in Maple Valley. Nothing is pulled out.

Cardboard + paper make up **24%** of our trash

Recyclable metal, glass + plastics are another **12%** of what's sent to the landfill

**Keep recyclables out of the trash!**



### **Waste Management**

720 4th Ave Suite 400

Kirkland, WA 98033

### **Waste Management Customer Service**

1 (800) 592-9995

[wmnorthwest.com/kirkland](http://wmnorthwest.com/kirkland)

Mon-Fri 7-7, and Sat, 9-1

Información en español

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