



The “Not Ready for Curbside Players”

There are some items that are recyclable just not via curbside pick-up, but with a little extra effort we can keep them out of the landfill.

~~Glass~~

~~Glass containers can be dropped off at the Morgan County collection site at 384 Hancock Street (behind the County Clerk's office).~~

Plastic Bags

Plastic Bags and other plastic film (produce bags, dry cleaning bags, the wrap around paper towels, etc.)

Although these items are recyclable plastic, they tangle sorting machines and should be kept out of curbside bins. This includes bagging recyclable products. Drop them at Ingles, Lowes, and Walmart.

Shredded Paper

Technically this can go into the curbside bin provided it is in a clear plastic bag (yes, this is the exception to the no bag rule!). But there are better ways to go: 1) save your sensitive documents for the Community Shred (see ad on back page); or 2) take shredded paper to Morgan County Humane Society at 1170 Fairground Road. They use it for bedding!

Packing Material

Packing material is foam peanuts, air pillows, and clean kraft paper. Take this to Qwik Pack & Ship at 1512 Eatonton Road. They will reuse it!



Recycling Know-How

Working to Keep Resources Out Of The Landfill

Unlike the trash can, using the curbside recycling bin takes a little thought. Madison's curbside service, like many across the U.S., uses a single stream process meaning materials are sorted at the recycling facility rather than at home. Simple right? Yes, but only if we are putting the right stuff into the bin. It is tempting to throw questionable items in to be sorted out later, but this has a negative impact on the whole system. At the very least it drives up the costs of transportation and sorting as well as requiring disposal. At worst, it can contaminate materials that would have been recyclable sending everything to the landfill instead. *Save this handy guide to recycle right!*



Cardboard and pizza boxes flattened



Aluminum cans, aerosol cans (empty and lids removed), foil, and trays



Plastic food containers and trays, except Styrofoam



Rigid plastics, plastic bottles and jugs (except Styrofoam)

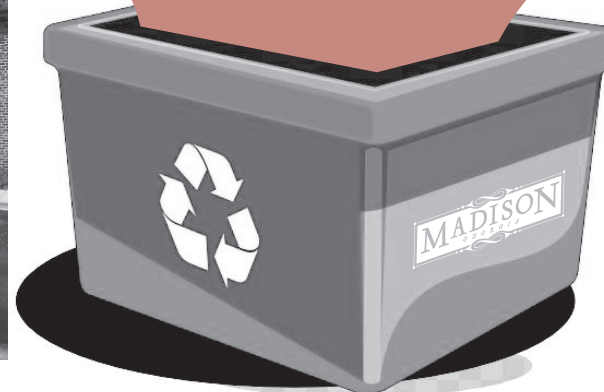


Junk mail, mixed paper, paper bags, and newspaper



Mixed paperboard: cereal boxes coated juice containers, tubes

Remember Not To Bag Your Recyclables



Items that are **NOT** accepted for recycling in Single Stream:

- No Plastic Bags
- No Napkins Or Paper Towels
- No Shredded Paper
- No Styrofoam
- No Food
- No Glass Or Glassware
- No Paper Plates Or Cups
- No 'Tanglers' (Hoses, Chains, Straps, Cords That Get Tangled)
- No Plastic Cutlery
- No Batteries Or Light Bulbs
- No Hangers (Metal Or Plastic)
- No Scrap Metal