

## Items Excluded from the City's Recycling Collection

- #1 & #2 plastics not accepted: clam-shells, 'hinged' containers, produce containers, cups, utensils & plastic bags and wraps.
- No glass bottles & jars and #3 -- #7 plastics.
- Any item not specifically listed under *Recycling Collection*.
- Containers with food or liquid.
- Containers that contained hazardous or flammable materials such as oil, antifreeze, sealers, solvents, pesticides or tanks.
- Styrofoam, packing material, bubble wrap, foil, dishes, hoses.
- E-scrap, cables, monitors, fluorescent lamps or ballast.
- Scrap metal, mercury, batteries, tires, smoke detectors.
- Aerosol cans, shredded paper, yard waste and trash.

### ***Additional recycling drop-off options:***

- Support the **Paper Retriever** program by recycling office papers, magazines, newspapers, paperback books, catalogs, junk mail, phone books, broken down cardboard, boxboard (food) boxes, and shredded paper in a clear plastic bag and sealed, in the green & yellow bins throughout Oberlin.
- **Plastic bags & film packaging wraps** – Drop-off #2 & #4 plastic bags and wraps at Walmart, Discount Drug Mart and Giant Eagle. Bags & films wraps must be clean and dry.
- Businesses & Organizations located in Lorain County can dispose of E-Scrap, Fluorescent Bulb and Ballast and general recyclables at the **Lorain County Solid Waste Management District, Collection Center**, located at 540 S. Abbe Road in Elyria; 440-329-5440.
- **Styrofoam** –No type of Styrofoam is recyclable in the city's commercial or residential recycling program.
- Furniture, appliances & building supplies – **Goodwill Industries** of Lorain County, 440-244-3174.



# City of Oberlin



## Commercial Recycling Guidelines



## General Information

### Commercial Recycling Collection

The City's Recycling program has been revised as of November 2020. Participants are required to sign a *Recycling Pledge* in order to opt-in and subscribe. Commercial Recycling Services are designed for and offered to each customer based on its waste stream and ability to comply with all program guidelines. Not all materials listed herein may be applicable to your program. Technical assistance in planning and implementing commercial recycling programs is available from the Public Works Department, by contacting Lori Sprosty, *Recycling Coordinator* at 440-935-0096 or [Recycling@cityofoberlin.com](mailto:Recycling@cityofoberlin.com).

*Commercial customers may subscribe to participate in the City's curb-side recycling collection program. All participants shall abide by the recycling collection rules published by the City." C.O. 925.04*

**\*\*Recycling collection services are provided on a bi-weekly basis\*\***

**Corrugated Cardboard Recycling:** *Corrugated Cardboard Only* dumpsters are available for customers who generate a significant amount of non-waxed, corrugated cardboard.

**Recycling Carts:** The City provides 96-gallon, blue lid carts for commercial recycling. Cart serial numbers are recorded for inventory control. Carts remain the property of the City. Damaged, lost or stolen carts may become the business owner's responsibility. (A recycling label has been affixed to the inside lid of the cart identifying acceptable recyclables.) No plastic bags!

**Recycling Dumpsters:** Available for commercial, single-stream recycling in three sizes. Applications for recycling dumpsters can be found on the City's website under Refuse & Recycling, *Commercial Services*.

## Single-Stream Recycling Services:

### Corrugated Cardboard Only Recycling Dumpsters:

Corrugated cardboard is easily identifiable by the ribbed section sandwiched between two flat layers of paper. **Remove all packing material and flatten boxes before placing in your 'Cardboard Only' recycling dumpster.** Incidental tape, staples, etc. do not need to be removed. **Do not recycle any plastics, metal, trash or other paper products** such as newspapers, boxboard, waxed or glossy cardboard, magazines, or office paper with corrugated cardboard.

### 96 gal. Recycling Cart:

Place recyclables **loose and un-bagged** in your recycling cart. Empty and rinse all containers and flatten all boxes. **Keep contamination out of recycling**, ONLY place the below list of items into your recycling cart / dumpster.

- **Plastic: #1 - #2 bottles & jugs** only (necked) - beverage, detergent, soap & shampoo bottles.
- **Aluminum, Steel & Bi-metal: food & beverage cans** only and lids, opened with a can opener or pull-top ring.
- **Mixed Paper:** including newspaper & inserts, junk mail, magazines, phonebooks, cardboard food boxes, paper bags and T.P. & paper towel tubes.
- **Cardboard:** emptied and broken down.

**NO SORTING REQUIRED!**

**IMPORTANT:** Do not jam items into cart or overstuff container.