



Recycle over 76 new items.

Styrofoam? Yep, bring it down. Aluminum foil and pie plates? Of course. How about my kids' zippered snack pouches? Don't throw them out, we'd be happy to recycle them.

Save your tax dollars.

Recycle BC is a not-for-profit organization responsible for residential packaging and paper product recycling throughout British Columbia. Recycle BC is funded by producers, like retailers and manufacturers that supply packaging and paper product to BC residents, keeping the costs away from homeowners. By adopting the Recycle BC program, the RDEK is paid per tonne directly from Recycle BC, whereas we have to pay per tonne collected in the yellow bins.

What about the yellow bins?

You will indeed still see the yellow bins hanging around. Yellow Bins only accept paper, cardboard, tin cans grocery/shopping bags and plastics #1-#6 (no styrofoam). Since we don't have access to the same markets through our yellow bin system, you will need to use the Recycle BC Depot at the Elk Valley Transfer Stations in order to access these new recycling opportunities.

When & where?

The Recycle BC Depot at the Elk Valley Transfer Stations will be opening in Fernie on February 3, Elkford on February 18 and Sparwood on March 2. The RDEK also has thriving Recycle BC Depots at the Kimberley Transfer Station, Columbia Valley Landfill, and Cranbrook Transfer Station.

A new way to recycle is coming to town.

And it's going to save you money.

Tips For a Quick & Simple Visit.

The majority of recyclables generated by an average home will go into either the paper/cardboard bin or the containers bin, so we suggest having a good sized box or container set aside for each of those categories. For your flexible packaging we suggest using a good sized zippered bag and stuffing it full. Do the same with the plastic bags/overwrap materials, take a bread bag or shopping bag and fill it up. Set aside your glass containers the same way as you always have. As for styrofoam, most homes don't generate a lot of styrofoam waste, but when you do just set it aside in its own container. While pre-sorting at home isn't required (we have tables at the transfer stations to sort on), it will make your drop-off simple and fast.

PLASTIC BAGS & OVERWRAP



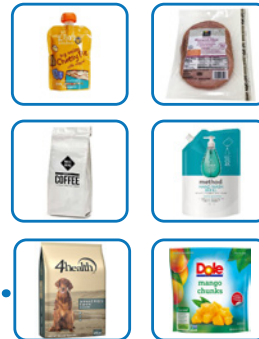
PAPER & CARDBOARD PRODUCTS



CONTAINERS



FLEXIBLE PACKAGING



GLASS & STYROFOAM

If you have any glass containers or rigid styrofoam, bring it along for the ride. We'll gladly take it. ...yep, we said styrofoam



FERNIE Transfer Station 6000 HWY 3
opening **FEBRUARY 3**

ELKFORD Transfer Station 6 Inkaneep Rd
opening **FEBRUARY 18**

SPARWOOD Transfer Station 1001 HWY 3
opening **MARCH 2**



PAPER & CARDBOARD PRODUCTS



YES.

- Newspapers/flyers
- Magazines/catalogues
- Office paper/envelopes
- Paper gift wrap/greeting cards
- Corrugated cardboard
- Boxboard (cereal/shoe/tissue/etc. boxes)
- Paper towel roll cores
- Molded boxboard (take-out containers, egg cartons, etc.)
- Kraft paper (paper grocery bags, envelopes, etc.)
- Multi layered paper bags (sugar, flour, etc.)
- Pizza boxes

NOPE.

- Coated paper cups (hot or cold)
- Cartons and boxes for milk and milk substitutes
- Frozen dessert boxes
- Hardcover or paperback books (donate 'em)
- Ribbons/bows
- Musical greeting cards
- Wax coated cardboard boxes
- Foil gift wrap/bags
- Foil/paper layered bags
- Plastic/paper layered bags
- Paper towels/tissue/napkins
- Straws
- Juice cartons and boxes (return for refund)

FLEXIBLE PACKAGING



YES.

- Zippered pouches
- Frozen food bags
- Deli meat packaging
- Stand-up pouches
- Potato chip bags
- Cheese slice wrappers
- Candy bar wrappers
- Net bags (avocados, onions, etc.)
- Cereal bags
- Pasta bags
- Padded mailers
- Bubble wrap/air packets
- Woven plastic bags (rice, etc.)
- Pet food bags
- Baby food pouches

NOPE.

- Plastic squeeze tubes
- Plastic lined paper (laminated)
- Plastic strapping
- Stretch wrap/cling wrap
- 6-pack rings
- Biodegradable plastic
- PVC/vinyl
- Squishy foam

Make sure to give your dirty recyclables a rinse before bringing them in.

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CONTAINERS



YES.

- Coated paper cups (hot or cold)
- Cartons and boxes for milk and milk substitutes
- Frozen dessert boxes
- Soup containers (tin and carton)
- Milk jugs
- Containers for food products (oil, vinegar, condiments, etc.)
- Detergent/fabric softener jugs
- Body care product containers
- Plastic take-away clamshells
- Plastic cold drink cups
- Plastic garden pots/trays
- Plastic pails less than 25L
- Microwavable containers
- Rigid plastic packaging
- Margarine/yogurt/sour cream/cottage cheese tubs
- Plastic jars (peanut butter, jam, vitamins, nuts, etc.)
- Single use coffee/tea pods (empty with lid removed)
- Black bottom/clear top deli trays
- Aluminum cans/lids
- Aluminum foil wrap/containers
- Empty aerosol containers (not spray paint)
- Steel food cans/cookie tins

NOPE.

- Motor oil, vehicle lubricant or antifreeze containers
- Plastic wrap
- Plastic/foil blister packs
- Lawn edging or tarps
- Biodegradable/compostible packaging
- Garden hoses
- Plastic paint containers
- Pails larger than 25L
- Aluminum drink containers (return for refund)
- Spray paint cans
- Propane cylinders
- Foil lined cardboard containers
- Coat hangers
- Paint cans
- Metal hardware or scrap metal

PLASTIC BAGS & OVERWRAP



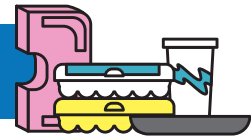
YES.

- Grocery bags
- Bread bags
- Bulk food bags
- Water softener salt bags
- Driveway salt bags
- Garden soil/manure bags
- Mattress overwrap
- Frozen food bags (non-zippered)
- Outer bags for paper towels/toilet paper
- Outer wrap for soft drink can flats

NOPE.

- Plastic squeeze tubes
- Plastic lined paper (laminated)
- Plastic strapping
- Stretch wrap/cling wrap
- 6-pack rings
- Biodegradable plastic
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- Squishy foam

COLOURED/PRINTED STYROFOAM



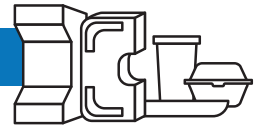
YES.

- Foam meat trays
- Foam produce trays
- Foam egg cartons
- Coloured foam packaging
- Printed foam cups
- Printed foam take-out containers
- Printed/coloured foam disposable bowls/plates

NOPE.

- Packing peanuts/chips
- Foam insulation
- Labels/tape on foam packaging
- Squishy/flexible foam
- Furniture/mattress foam
- Absorbing pads used in meat trays

WHITE STYROFOAM



YES.

- White foam meat trays
- White foam produce trays
- White un-printed foam cups
- White foam packaging
- White un-printed foam take-out containers
- White un-printed foam disposable bowls/plates

NOPE.

- Any printed or coloured foam
- Foam insulation
- Absorbing pads used in meat trays
- Packing peanuts/chips
- Labels/tape on foam packaging
- Squishy/flexible foam
- Furniture/mattress foam

GLASS CONTAINERS



YES.

- Clear glass containers
- Coloured glass containers
- Glass food packaging
- Glass soap packaging
- Clear glass bottles
- Coloured glass bottles

NOPE.

- Deposit glass (return for refund)
- Drinking glasses or dishes
- Cookware
- Window glass
- Mirrors
- Ceramic products
- Light bulbs

You've got questions? Great, we've got answers.

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