



# RECYCLING MISCONCEPTIONS

**STYROFOAM PRODUCTS** are **not recyclable in curbside programs** because they require highly specialized equipment and, even then, are difficult to process. Foam products can be bulky, lightweight, and easily contaminated with food, tape, and other residues that don't belong in recycling bins. Consult with local shipping companies to see if they'll accept your styrofoam.



**PLASTIC BAGS AND FILM** are **not accepted in most curbside recycling programs**. This is because they can tangle sorting machinery and are made with materials that cannot be easily separated. Instead, take these items to designated drop-off points at grocery stores or reuse them whenever possible to reduce waste.



**SINGLE-USE PLASTICS**, also known as disposable plastics, **are not accepted in your curbside bin**. While they feel recyclable, most are either made of hard-to-recycle plastics or are too small to be sorted by machines. When possible, swap them for reusable options.



## What goes where?



[whatbin.com](https://whatbin.com)

**Whatbin.com** is a simple, no-frills tool that helps you figure out which bin your discards belong in — landfill, recycling, or organics — based on your local jurisdiction's rules.

Just type in the item you're trying to dispose of, and it tells you how to sort it, tailored to your city.

It's fast, ad-free, and helpful, especially for tricky items like greasy pizza boxes or used paper towels. It's perfect for anyone trying to waste less, recycle right, or just win the "who sorted it better" debate at home.

## 2025-26 Holiday Collection Schedule

If your regular collection day falls on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or New Year's Day, your service will be delayed by one day.

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>11/27</b> 🍁 <b>No Service</b> <i>Thanksgiving, Office Closed</i>	<b>11/28</b> Service for Thursday Customers	<b>11/29</b> Service for Friday Customers
<b>12/25</b> 🎄 <b>No Service</b> <i>Christmas Day, Office Closed</i>	<b>12/26</b> Service for Thursday Customers	<b>12/27</b> Service for Friday Customers
<b>1/1</b> 🎆 <b>No Service</b> <i>New Year's Day, Office Closed</i>	<b>1/2</b> Service for Thursday Customers	<b>1/3</b> Service for Friday Customers

**Reduce, reuse, recycle, and rot!**

# Public Disposal Sites

## MAXWELL TRANSFER FACILITY

3852 Co Rd 99W, Maxwell

8:30 AM – 3 PM

Monday – Friday

9 AM – 2 PM

1st and 3rd Saturdays  
of the month

<http://bit.ly/3ZPWld3>

## ACCEPTED ITEMS

Appliances,  
refrigerators,  
ovens, stoves



Recyclables,  
cardboard,  
plastic, paper



Metal, cans,  
pipes, metal  
scraps

Green and wood,  
waste, tree branches,  
untreated lumber,  
yard trimmings



E-waste,  
computers,  
televisions,  
cell phones



Landfill

Mattresses and  
box springs



## HHW ACCEPTED

No appointment  
necessary; fees apply.

**Automotive products:**  
motor oil and oil filters

**Paint:** latex and oil-  
based paints

**Electronic waste:** Small  
electronics, computer  
monitors, televisions

**Fluorescent light tubes**  
**Batteries**

## Know what to throw

### What **CAN** go in your gray bin:

- ✓ Plastic shopping bags
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Straws
- ✓ Broken glass & dishware
- ✓ Wrappers, chip bags, plastic film
- ✓ Styrofoam



**TIP:** If you're not sure how  
to dispose of an item, visit  
[whatbin.com](http://whatbin.com) to find out.

### What **CANNOT** go in your gray bin:

- ✗ **Recyclables** – plastic tubs, jugs, and containers, glass bottles, metal, cardboard, and paper
- ✗ **Organics** – grass clippings, tree/brush trimmings, and branches
- ✗ **Electronic waste** – TVs, computers, cell phones, batteries, printers, fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers
- ✗ **Hazardous waste** – paint, aerosol or solvent cans, cleaners, pesticides/herbicides, flammables, poisons, fuel canisters/tanks, motor oil
- ✗ **Building and automotive waste** – asbestos, treated wood, antifreeze, tires
- ✗ **Medical waste** – needles, sharps, medicines, biohazardous materials



**NEVER PLACE THESE  
ITEMS IN YOUR  
LANDFILL BIN**

- Sharps and Medication
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Flammables, Pesticides, or Herbicides
- Electronic Waste

To find the Household Hazardous Waste  
disposal site nearest you, go to:  
Butte: <https://bit.ly/43yV2Sk>  
Colusa: <http://bit.ly/42hErjl>

