

With 6 Recycle BC Depots, Yellow Bins and many municipalities offering curbside pick-up, recycling has never been more convenient in the East Kootenay. Here is a guide to help you distinguish what goes where and how the various services differ.

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 (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- Kraft paper (paper grocery bags, envelopes) (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- Multi layered paper bags (sugar, flour, etc.) (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- Pizza boxes (♻️ Ⓢ Ⓡ)

NOPE.

- 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
- Juice cartons and boxes *return for refund*

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

Accepted at
RECYCLE BC
DEPOTS ONLY.

♻️ = Recycle BC Depots

🟡 = Yellow Bins

Ⓢ = Cranbrook Curbside system

Ⓡ = Kimberley Curbside system

Ⓣ = Fernie Curbside system

Ⓛ = Invermere Curbside system

CONTAINERS

YES.

- Coated paper cups (hot or cold) (♻️ Ⓢ Ⓡ)
- Cartons and boxes for milk and milk substitutes (♻️ Ⓢ Ⓡ)
- Frozen dessert boxes (♻️ Ⓢ Ⓡ)
- Soup containers (tin (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ) & carton (♻️ Ⓢ Ⓡ))
- Milk jugs (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- Containers for food products (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- 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/etc. tubs (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- Plastic jars (♻️ 🟡 Ⓢ Ⓡ Ⓣ Ⓛ)
- 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

HOLIDAY RECYCLING



BATTERIES

Don't forget the batteries. Both your alkaline and rechargeable batteries are recyclable. There are numerous drop off locations in all major centres in the RDEK.

Visit www.call2recycle.ca to find a location near you.



SMALL APPLIANCE RECYCLING

More than 120 small electrical appliances, ranging in size from electric toothbrushes to countertop microwave ovens are accepted at Return-it depots around the East Kootenay.

For more information visit www.return-it.ca.

KIMBERLEY TRANSFER STATION, CRANBROOK BOTTLE DEPOT,
FERNIE BOTTLE DEPOT, SPARWOOD TRANSFER STATION,
ELKFORD TRANSFER STATION

FLEXIBLE PACKAGING



YES.

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

NOPE.

- Plastic squeeze tubes
- Plastic lined paper (laminated)
- Padded paper/plastic mailers
- Plastic strapping
- 6-pack rings
- Biodegradable plastic

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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
- PVC/vinyl

COLOURED 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
- Furniture/mattress foam
- Absorbing pads used in meat trays

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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.

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



HOLIDAY LIGHTS

The Product Care program accepts compact fluorescent and tube fluorescent light bulbs, LED and incandescent lights. Lighting fixtures are also accepted in several locations as are strings of Christmas lights. [For more information visit www.productcare.org.](http://www.productcare.org)

CRANBROOK BOTTLE DEPOT, FERNIE BOTTLE DEPOT



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Any electronics that are in good working condition can be donated to a local thrift store. If your old electronics are no longer working, they may be able to be recycled.

[For more information visit www.return-it.ca/electronics](http://www.return-it.ca/electronics)

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