

# What happens when you recycle

## ABOUT RUMPKE

Rumpke has been keeping neighborhoods clean and green since 1932. Today, Rumpke brings reliable recycling services to millions of residents and businesses throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. During the last decade, Rumpke has invested upwards of \$50 million dollars to implement the most technologically advanced recycling systems in Ohio and beyond. Annually, Rumpke's 11 recycling facilities process more than 1 billion pounds of material.

## RECYCLING MARKETS

Despite recent changes in the recycling industry sparked by China's trade restrictions, Rumpke's network of end users is domestic and remains stable. Through longstanding partnerships with regional manufacturers, Rumpke distributes 98% of its collected recyclables to domestic markets and 80% to markets in the Midwest. Rumpke has fostered these regional markets over many years by supporting community recycling programs and building advanced recycling processing systems to sort their recyclables by type. This regional, market-based approach supplies large volumes of high-quality recyclable material to local manufacturers, allowing them to keep jobs in their communities and make recycled-content products for nearby residents and businesses.

## END USERS

It's important to note that Rumpke is a recycling processor, not an end user. This means that Rumpke collects and sorts recyclable material, but the material is ultimately shipped to an end user. End users are companies that take the sorted material and turn them into products. Companies such as Pratt Paper and Owens Illinois are just some of Rumpke's long standing partners

## DID YOU KNOW?



**Cardboard** becomes more cardboard



**Paper and newspapers** become paperboard and more newspapers



**Glass** becomes fiberglass insulation or new bottles and jars



**Cartons** become tissue paper and paper towels



**Plastic bottles** become irrigation pipe and strapping tape



**Metal cans** are made back into metal cans

## FUN FACTS



Rumpke recycles **1 BILLION POUNDS** of material **ANNUALLY**



It takes about **60 DAYS** for an aluminum can to be back on the shelf after it is recycled



Rumpke diverts **60,000 TONS OF GLASS** from landfills annually



A bale of recyclable material can weigh up to **2,000 POUNDS**



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