

What can you recycle in Metro Vancouver BC?

In general, recyclable materials are items that can be collected, processed, and returned to the manufacturing process to create new products. Some examples of recyclable materials include paper, cardboard, metal, plastic, glass, and certain types of electronics. However, the specific items that are considered recyclable can vary depending on the recycling program and facilities in your area. It is a good idea to check with your local recycling program to find out what materials they accept. Some programs may have guidelines or requirements for how to prepare recyclables for collection, such as rinsing containers or removing caps from bottles.

Here is a list of common recyclable materials:

- Paper products: newspapers, magazines, office paper, cardboard boxes, envelopes, paper bags, paper milk cartons, etc.
- Metal: steel and aluminum cans, empty aerosol cans, metal pots and pans, small appliances, etc.
- Plastic: bottles and containers with a neck narrower than the base, tubs, cups, and other plastic containers, including those marked with the recycle symbols #1 through #7.
- Glass: bottles and jars of any color.
- Electronics: computers, laptops, tablets, cellphones, televisions, etc.
- Batteries: household batteries, car batteries, etc.
- Light bulbs: fluorescent tubes and bulbs, LED bulbs, etc.
- Mattresses.
- Used Drywall or new drywall.

Other household items: textiles, such as clothing and towels, cardboard boxes,
plastic bags, etc.

It is important to note that not all recycling programs accept all of these materials, so it is a good idea to check with your local program to find out what they will and will not accept. In addition, some programs may have specific requirements for how these items should be prepared for recycling, such as rinsing containers or removing caps from bottles.

Where to recycle items in Metro Vancouver, BC?

Here are some recycling facilities you should consider when planning your next junk removal run.

<u>United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre</u>: is located at 995 United Blvd, Coquitlam, BC V3K 4S8. This recycling facility takes the list of materials below.

- Metal
- E-waste
- Paper/cardboard
- Styrofoams
- Appliances
- Mattress
- And much more call (604) 681-5600 to ask specific questions.

Return-it: In British Columbia, there are several options for recycling bottles and other containers. Many municipal curbside recycling programs in the province accept bottles and other containers as part of their recycling collection. You can also recycle your bottles and containers at designated recycling depots or return-it centers. These facilities are typically located in convenient locations such as grocery stores or shopping centers and are operated by the Beverage Container Management Board (BCMB). The BCMB operates a network of more

than 200 depots and return-it centers throughout the province where you can return your empty beverage containers for recycling. To find a recycling depot or return-it center near you, you can use the BCMB's recycling locator tool: https://www.return-it.ca/locations/

• Bottles: plastic/glass/cartons.

• E-waste: Some Return-it recycles the E-waste for you.

Do you need help taking the items to a recycling facility near you? You can always call in help from Throw Away Junk Removal Services at 604 655 5865 to separate the junk from the recyclables and then take the reusable material to the recycling center.

Visit https://www.throwawayjunk.ca/junk-removal-in-surrey to get more information on the fees involved when you choose to hire a metro Vancouver junk removal/recycling service.