







# YOUR WASTE SORTING GUIDE

PAPER— Blue Bag 1	OTHER— Blue Bag 2	ORGANICS COLLECTION	GARBAGE—Clear Bag
<p><b>THESE ITEMS ARE NOT GARBAGE AND <u>MUST</u> BE SORTED PROPERLY PRIOR TO DISPOSAL.</b></p> <p><b>Newspaper</b>  <b>Flyers</b>  <b>Boxboard</b>                      (examples below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cereal box</li> <li>• Frozen pizza box</li> <li>• Tooth paste box</li> <li>• Tissue box</li> </ul> <p>Plastic bags and liners are garbage.</p> <p><b>Egg cartons</b>  <b>Phone books</b>  <b>Copier paper</b>  <b>Envelopes</b>  <b>Magazines</b>  <b>Books</b></p> <p>Hard covers removed and placed in the garbage.</p> <p><b>Cardboard boxes**</b></p>  <p><b>Items must be Clean and Dry.</b>  <b>**Cardboard should be flattened and bundled for collection.</b></p>	<p><b>Metal food cans</b> (includes pet food cans)</p>  <p><b>Glass jars &amp; bottles</b>  <b>Plastic containers (#1-7)</b>                      (examples below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ice cream container &amp; lid</li> <li>• Plastic Windex™ bottle</li> <li>• Shampoo container</li> <li>• Laundry detergent jug</li> <li>• Dish soap container</li> <li>• Yogurt drink container</li> <li>• Bleach container</li> </ul> <p><b>Plastic shopping bags</b></p>  <p><b>All Milk containers</b></p> <p><b>Beverage containers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pop and juice cans \$</li> <li>• Pop &amp; water bottles \$</li> <li>• Juice boxes &amp; bottles \$</li> <li>• All liquor containers \$</li> </ul>  <p><b>Empty and Rinse Clean.</b>  <b>Remove Caps and Straws.</b>  <b>\$Beverage containers must be taken to an ENVIRO-DEPOT™ to get your refund.</b></p>	<p><b>All food waste including:</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All leftover food</li> <li>Meat, fish &amp; bones</li> <li>Eggs, nuts &amp; shells</li> <li>Vegetables, fruit &amp; peelings</li> <li>Corn cob &amp; husks</li> <li>Solid dairy (i.e. cheese)</li> <li>Solid fat (i.e. bacon fat)</li> <li>Tea bags &amp; coffee grounds</li> </ul> <p><b>Soiled or wet paper:</b></p> <p>Includes but is not limited to the following examples of paper soiled with food, dirt, water, or edible oil/grease:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sugar &amp; flour bags</li> <li>• Paper plates</li> <li>• Waxed paper</li> <li>• Baking soda box</li> <li>• Coffee filters</li> <li>• Napkins &amp; paper towel</li> </ul> <p><b>Yard waste including:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leaves &amp; twigs</li> <li>Flowers &amp; potting soil</li> </ul> <p><b>No ashes, plastic, metal, or glass. Food must be removed from the package.</b></p>	<p><b>A list of examples:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chip bags &amp; bar wrappers</li> <li>Hot &amp; cold drink cups</li> <li>Straws &amp; bottle caps</li> <li>Netted onion bags</li> <li>Gift wrap, cards, &amp; photos</li> <li>Light bulbs &amp; broken glass</li> <li>All Styrofoam™</li> <li>Clothing &amp; footwear</li> <li>Pots, pans &amp; dishes</li> <li>Crayons, pencils &amp; pens</li> <li>Kitty litter</li> <li>Diapers, tissue &amp; toilet paper</li> <li>Empty Aerosol cans</li> </ul>  <p><b>Diabetics can get a free Safe Sharps Container from a local pharmacy. Expired medication should be returned to the pharmacy. Call your local municipality or the number below for Household Hazardous Waste disposal instructions.</b></p>

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT EASTERN REGION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT 1-888-377-9622.**

## Waste Management Program Rules:

Nova Scotians have a waste disposal target of 300kg/person by 2015. We all need to do our part to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill.

### It's The Law!

Remember proper recycling and composting is the law throughout Nova Scotia at home, work and while on-the-go. A fine can apply for failing to follow the waste management program rules identified through provincial regulation and municipal by-law. Ask questions to learn more about the importance of the program. Let's turn our waste into a resource by sorting it right everyday!

### A Clear Bag for Garbage— What about my privacy?

Clear bags must be used for garbage. You have three options:

- place loose garbage into the containers with the Garbage label,
- use a shopping bag for kitchen garbage, it must be emptied loose into the garbage container and the bag becomes garbage.
- or use a small clear bag within your apartment, tie it and place it in the container labeled Garbage.

You can use a privacy bag in your bathroom. It can be a shopping bag but can be no larger than a kitchen catcher (20 x 22"). This bag goes in the Garbage container. The Garbage must not contain any recyclable or organic materials.

### For More Information

Eastern Region Solid Waste Management—1-888-377-9622

Town of Antigonish Waste Hotline—863-4949



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SOLID WASTE  
Management**

## Recycling—Blue Bag 1 & Blue Bag 2

We are all responsible to sort our recycling right.

### REMEMBER:

- Blue Bag 1 & Blue Bag 2 Recyclables must not be mixed together in the same bag.
- All Recyclables must be clean.
- Paper must be clean and dry.
- Cardboard boxes must be empty, clean, flattened & folded to fit in the outside sorting area slid in beside the paper container.
- Styrofoam™ is always garbage.
- Plastic packaging without the recycling symbol and number is always garbage.
- All covers and lids must be removed from plastic and glass containers.
- To get your refund, beverage containers must be returned to an ENVIRO-DEPOT™. Visit [www.rffb.com](http://www.rffb.com) for a location near you.

### Organics

Food waste can be composted into a valuable soil conditioner. Use a small container such as an ice cream container or cereal box to collect food waste. Food must be removed from its package before being placed in the cart. Always drain excess liquid from food. Smelly food waste such as meat and fish can also be wrapped in a sheet of news-paper or placed in a paper box such as a cereal box (roll down the top of the box before placing in the cart). Waste food should be emptied each day into your green cart. If you use a kitchen container, rinse and wash with dish soap after each use. If you need a bag to line your kitchen container, only use paper liners or starch bags that are compostable and biodegradable.

**Plastic, Glass, Metal, and Ashes are not permitted in the green cart.**



### Other Waste Management Programs:

Electronics—such as televisions, computers, printers, scanners, fax machines, telephones, radios, CD and tape players, VCRs and DVD players, camcorders, etc. [www.AceStewardship.ca](http://www.AceStewardship.ca) or call 1-877-774-3260

Cell phones — [www.recyclemycell.ca](http://www.recyclemycell.ca) or call 1-888-797-1740

Household Hazardous Waste – includes containers with leftover amounts of paint, paint thinners, strippers, automotive lubricants, insect repellent, RAID, pesticides, fertilizers or plant food, rug cleaner, oven cleaner, batteries, propane tanks, lighter fluid etc. Left over amounts of these materials require special disposal. Contact your local municipality for further instruction.

Tires— return up to four tires at one time to a tire retailer.