

Recycling Guide (What goes in a bin?)

	ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
Blue Bins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White paper • White envelopes (windows are OK) • Bagged shredded paper • Colored paper • File Folders • Manila envelopes • Loose/unbagged shredded paper • Junk mail (windows are OK) • Newspapers • Anything that was inserted in a newspaper • Magazines/glossy paper • Brochures/catalogues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dirty Kleenex • Used paper towels • No Styrofoam • No paper plates with food waste or grease
Bottle & Can Bins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aluminum cans • Plastic bottles & containers: #1-#7 • Glass bottles • Tin cans/steel cans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any kind of glass other than glass bottles: no mirrors, windows, laboratory glassware, cookware, ceramic cups or drinking glasses
Cardboard Cages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean corrugated cardboard • Paperboard (cereal boxes, soda boxes, etc.) <p style="text-align: center;">FLATTEN ALL CARDBOARD BOXES!!!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foam core board • Waxed drink containers • Cardboard contaminated with food, oil, grease, or other contaminates

UNM Recycling also recycles many items which do not go into our recycling bins:

BATTERIES - Must be in a box or bag and undamaged.

BOOKS - Must be packed in sturdy boxes.

CLOTHES (USABLE) and **SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** - Must be in good condition.

EYE GLASSES/SUN GLASSES - Pack in a box or bag, mark them for recycling, place next to blue recycling bin or call for pick up.

E-WASTE - Computers, monitors, printers, and copiers must go to UNM Surplus for disposal; call (277-2923) for more information. Small electrical and electronic devices (except refrigerators) which are NOT required to be sent to UNM SURPLUS PROPERTY for disposal may be dropped off at the UNM Recycling yard or picked up by placing a work order. Refrigerators must be picked up by UNM Special Activities, please place a work order to have your refrigerator picked up.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS - UNM Recycling does not collect or accept hazardous materials. Any department using or wanting to dispose of hazardous materials such as paint, metallic mercury, laboratory or other chemicals, empty drums or buckets must contact the Safety and Risk Services Department (277-2753) to have the items collected.

LIGHT BULBS – (Including CFLs, Fluorescent Tubes, and Mercury vapor bulbs)- must be unbroken and carefully packed and sealed in boxes; tubes not taped together.

OFFICE SUPPLIES - Binders, folders, pens, etc.; for large quantities call for pick up; otherwise box up materials, place near blue recycling bin.

PRINTER CARTRIDGES - Must be in boxes.

STYROFOAM – Peanuts must be bagged up; we cannot accept blocks of Styrofoam.

WOODEN PALLETS - Any condition; must be solid wood.

To request a recycling pick up please call 277-1600 to submit a work order. If you have anything you think may be recyclable but don't see it on the list above please contact: Scott George, UNM Recycling Supervisor, at 505-269-6131, or email: recycle@unm.edu.

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