# **DON'T PUT** RECYCLING **IN PLASTIC** BACS

All recycling must be placed in the recycling bin loose - not in plastic bags, boxes or tied up with string.



## What happens to **Kerbside Recycling**

- Putting recyclables into your kerbside bin is the beginning of an important journey to convert them into new products and materials.
- Recycling is collected by truck and transported to a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).
- The recyclables are loaded onto a conveyor belt.
- The conveyor belt takes the recyclables to the sorting bays where they are manually separated into glass, plastic, paper, cardboard, steel and aluminium by staff.



For more information about the kerbside recycling assessment visit:

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## All you need to know about















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## What CAN go into your kerbside recycling bin...



## **Paper and** cardboard

Office paper, cardboard. letters and envelopes, junk mail, telephone books, pizza boxes (clean), newspaper, magazines, pamphlets and



Aluminium, steel and tin-plated cans. aluminium foil (clean), paint tins (empty) and aerosol cans.



Bottles and jars (remove lids).



## Hard plastic containers

Please empty and remove caps.



## What should NEVER go into your kerbside recycling bin...

- **X** Batteries
- 🗶 Bubble wrap
- Building materials
- **Carpet**
- Clothing
- Computers & TVs
- Coat hangers
- Crockery
- Electrical applicances
- **Food scraps**
- **C** Furniture
- K Garden waste
- Garden hose
- Gas bottles
- Medical items
- **X** Nappies
- Polystyrene
- **Y** Plastic bags
- X Paint cans (full / partially full)
- X Plastic toys
- 🗶 Saucepans, pots & pans <
- Shredded paper
- Soft plastic
- X Shoes & handbags
- X Syringes
- **X** Tetra Packs
- Waxed Cardboard (Coffee Cups)
- Wheel caps



To recycle your plastic you need to know:

- Not all plastic packaging displays the recycling triangle (officially known as the Plastic Identification Code). This triangle tells you what plastic was used to make the packaging, not whether the packaging is recyclable.
- Plastic can be placed into two categories:

### 1. Hard Plastic

Any plastic that is rigid or holds its shape, for example shampoo bottles, can be recycled through your kerbside recycling bin.



### 2. Soft Plastic

Plastic that is flexible, for example, bread bags, bubble wrap and plastic bags, cannot be recycled in any Tasmanian kerbside recycling collection. Most major supermarkets

now accept clean, flexible plastics for recycling. Some transfer stations accept soft plastic.