KNOW YOUR NO'S

Don't tangle or contaminate. Recycle right for our state!



No bagged recyclables (keep them loose and free)



No Styrofoam (crumbles in the machinery)



No pumps or tubes (made of multiple materials that can't be separated for recycling)



No aerosol cans (fire hazard)



No tanglers (cords, hoses, wires, etc. tangle in the machinery)



No paper towels or napkins (often soiled and too thin to recycle)



No plastic wraps, pillows or bags (tangles in the machinery)



No food waste (contaminates the clean recyclables)



No small/shredded paper and packaging (small things are hard to sort)



No household or car batteries (contain hazardous materials)



No textiles (take to the thrift store)



No hazardous or medical waste



No containers, cups or utensils (can't be sorted by the machines)



No scrap metal (harms the machinery)



No household glass, mirrors or ceramics (can't be remanufactured)



No receipts (can contain non-recyclable layers and chemicals)



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