



City of Middletown

Mixed Recycling Guidelines

Place these items in your **curbside** container at home.

Mixed Paper

Recycle newspaper & inserts, junk mail, envelopes, flyers, magazines, catalogs, paperback books, phone books, hard and soft cover books, paper bags, tissue boxes, all paperboard boxes, paper towel rolls, cartons and boxes used for soup, milk, juice, and egg cartons. Corrugated cardboard (cut to fit in the cart).

Plastic Containers

Recycle empty plastic containers with a number 1-7 on the bottom. Plastic bottles, tubs and one use cups. Caps are okay if they are left on the containers. No waste oil or hazardous waste containers.

Metal Containers

Recycle empty food and beverage aluminum and steel cans, clean aluminum foil, pie plates and trays. Tops and labels are okay. Food grade aerosol cans are ok. All should be clean and dry.

Glass Bottles

Recycle glass bottles and jars, caps ON THE BOTTLES and labels are okay. Bottles must be rinsed and empty. No ceramic mugs or plates. No drinking glasses.

Drink Boxes and Milk Cartons

Empty and rinsed. No straws.



Do not include: gift wrap, ice cream containers, paper cups (hot and cold), shredded paper, take out food containers, non food grade aerosol cans, foil tops from yogurt, paint cans, pots and pans, small pieces of scrap wood, spiral wound containers, loose bottle caps, plastic bags and wraps, plastic plates and utensils, prescription bottles, single use coffee containers, water filters.

Recycling Off The Curb –What else can I recycle where?



Plastic Film and Bags

Plastic film from paper towels, water bottles, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, air pillows and plastic shopping bags can be brought to Price Chopper or Stop and Shop in Middletown.



Household Hazardous Waste

Collection Day— The City hosts a collection day in the fall and residents are able to go to days in other towns in the spring. Acceptable items include paint and paint products, lawn chemicals, fluorescent tubes, all batteries, transmission and brake fluid, artists paints, pool chemicals. For a full list of acceptable items

Fluorescent Bulbs

Most fluorescent bulbs also contain mercury and should be disposed of properly. Compact fluorescent bulbs can be brought to Home Depot or Lowes for recycling. City Hall also accepts them in a box on the 2nd floor and Russell Library has a container at their exit. Long fluorescent tubes from residences should be brought to a



Fire Extinguishers

can be brought to Roybal Fire Equipment, 33 Forest St, Middletown. 860-347-2189.



Paint—can be brought to a Paintcare location anytime throughout the year. There is usually a limit on how much you can bring, so check first. In Middletown, Ace Hardware on South Main St will accept used paint. All Sherwin Williams locations take old paint as well.



At the Recycling Center

The Middletown Recycling Center will accept the following items in addition to regular curbside recycling: waste oil, antifreeze, lead acid batteries, household electronics, unflattened cardboard boxes, demolition and construction debris*, leaves and grass, brush, appliances*, scrap metal*, and tires*. There is a charge for * items.

For more information contact the City Recycling Coordinator at 860-638-4855 or kim.orourke@middletownct.gov.

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What Else Can I Recycle?

Textiles

Textiles such as clothing, shoes, backpacks, pillows, and blankets can be brought to the Textile Bin at Woodrow Wilson Middle School. The bin is located in the parking lot. The textiles are recycled and the money earned goes towards the WWMS recycling program.



Unused Medication

Unused medication should not be flushed down the toilet. It should be brought to a Drug Take Back Day, which is held at the Middletown Police Department in April and October. Some police Departments or pharmacies will take unused medication back regularly, but currently nothing in the Middletown area is participating in those programs. More information on disposal can be found [here](#).

Recycling at City Hall

The following items are acceptable on the 2nd floor of City Hall:

- Alkaline batteries (regular household batteries)
- Nicad and Lithium Ion Batteries
- Plastic gift cards
- CFLS
- CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, cell phones.