Curbside Recycling Program Guidelines

- **Place the cart at the curb by 7 AM on your collection day**
  » Make sure that the cart lid opens toward the street.
  » The cart should be at least 3 feet away from any object including other carts, cars, mail boxes, etc.

- **Please...NO PLASTIC BAGS!!**
  » Plastic bags interfere with the sorting process when placed in curbside recycling containers.
  » Please recycle plastic bags at participating local stores.

- **Recyclable materials can be mixed in the cart**
  » No need to separate your items, they will be sorted at a processing facility.

- **Please rinse food residue from recyclable items before placing in the cart**
  » Large amounts of food residue will reduce the recyclability of the items.

- **Extra recyclables can be placed in a paper bag, cardboard box, or other open container next to your recycling cart.**
  » Nothing larger than 3' by 4'.
  » If needed, residents may contact VPPSA or their local community contact to request a larger cart if they are routinely exceeding the capacity of their current recycling cart.

- **Recycling carts containing household waste and trash will not be serviced**. Continuous use of the recycling cart for trash items will result in the removal of the cart.

What is VPPSA?

The Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority (VPPSA) is a regional governmental agency, dedicated to helping communities solve their solid waste management needs. There are ten member communities including Hampton, James City County, Poquoson, Williamsburg and York County on the Peninsula, and the counties of Essex, King William, King and Queen, Mathews and Middlesex on the Middle Peninsula.

VPPSA also provides regularly scheduled Household Chemical Collections and Electronics Recycling events for residents of Williamsburg/James City County, Poquoson, Hampton and York County.

The VPPSA Compost Facility at 145 Goodwin Neck Road in Yorktown produces quality mulch and compost products which available for purchase. All products are made from locally generated brush and yard waste. VPPSA is a member of the U.S. Composting Council's Seal of Testing Assurance (STA) Program and has it's compost regularly tested through an approved STA laboratory. The Compost Facility is open Monday—Saturday from 8am until 4pm.

For more information on all VPPSA programs, go to our website at www.vppsa.org or call us at 757-259-9850.

To stay informed,
send your email address and city or county of residence to curbsiderecycling@vppsa.org and we'll add you to our e-notification list.

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Residential Curbside Recycling Program

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Plastic Bottles, Jugs and Food Containers

Water and drink bottles; shampoo, soap, and detergent bottles; wide-mouth containers such as butter tubs, yogurt cups, mayonnaise jars; clamshell containers such as salad bar containers, bakery product containers, strawberry containers; microwave food trays, party cups, plastic sandwich meat containers. Please remove lids and rinse out food residue.

Cardboard and Mixed Paper

Flattened boxes, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, telephone books, office paper, cards, stationary, paper grocery bags, school paper, computer paper, shredded paper in paper bags, single layer cardboard such as cereal and tissue boxes, newspapers and advertising inserts.

Rigid Plastics

Plastic food storage containers, plastic trays and dishes, stadium cups, laundry baskets, dish drainers, home storage bins, flower pots, buckets, pails, garbage cans, plastic toys and plastic lawn furniture (no item larger than 3'x4')

Metal Cans

Steel and aluminum food and beverage cans. Please rinse out food residue.

Glass Bottles and Jars

All types and colors of glass bottles and jars. Remove lids and rinse out food residue.

QUESTIONS?

Call VPPSA at 757-259-9850,
go to our website at www.vppsa.org,
or contact your community recycling office:

www.jamescitycountyva.gov
www.poquoson-va.gov
www.williamsburgva.gov
www.yorkcounty.gov

Remember, these lists do not include everything.
If you have an item you are not sure about, please ask!

These items are NOT ACCEPTED in curbside recycling:

- ✗ Plastic Bags– Grocery, Dry Cleaning, or Garbage, Sandwich Bags, Plastic Wrap
- ✗ Greasy Paper (pizza boxes)
- ✗ Wax –covered fiber (milk cartons & juice boxes, candy wrappers, some packing paper)
- ✗ Napkins, Paper Towels, Tissues
- ✗ Twine, String or Wire
- ✗ Ceramic Dishes or Ovenware
- ✗ Plate Glass (window panes, mirrors)
- ✗ Light Bulbs: Fluorescent and Regular
- ✗ Needles or Other Medical Waste
- ✗ Clothes Hangers, Lawn Chair Frames, Pots & Pans, or Other Scrap Metal
- ✗ Paint Cans and Aerosol Cans
- ✗ Any plastic Pesticide, Poison, or Automotive Product Containers
- ✗ Foam Plastic Products– "Styrofoam®" Cups, Plates or Packing Materials
- ✗ Diapers, Other Personal Care Products
- ✗ Plastic Lined Aluminum Cans

Please don't place the above items in your cart. They are considered contaminants and can actually increase the cost of the program!