

# Fact Sheet

## RECYCLING CHANGES IN THE TOWN OF COMOX



### CHANGES TO TOWN OF COMOX CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM (BLUE BOX)

- Starting with November curbside recycling pickup, the Town of Comox is making changes to what residents can put in their blue boxes. It's all part of an agreement between the town and Recycle BC—a partnership that will expand what can go into curbside recycling collection.
- Everything that can currently go in blue boxes—except plastic bags and over-wrap—will still be allowed. Plastic bags and over-wrap must now go to the Comox Return Centre at 678 Anderton Road. Glass bottles and jars, and foam packaging (e.g. Styrofoam) can also be taken to the Comox Return Centre.
- Recycle BC is a not-for-profit organization that is responsible for residential recycling programs across BC, either directly or by working with local governments, First Nations, private companies and not-for-profit organizations. [www.RecycleBC.ca](http://www.RecycleBC.ca)

### ITEMS ACCEPTABLE FOR BLUE BOX ARE:

Unlimited amounts of:

- ✓ **Plastic containers** – most plastic containers are acceptable. For a complete list of acceptable material visit: [RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle](http://RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle)
- ✓ **Metal containers** – such as soup cans, empty aerosol cans
- ✓ **Plastic milk jugs** – rinsed out
- ✓ **Cartons** – soups, sauces, milk or milk alternatives (includes aseptic and gable-top cartons)
- ✓ **Mixed paper** – junk mail, newspapers, magazines, stationery, envelopes, telephone books
- ✓ **Shredded paper** – put shredded paper in clear plastic bag in blue box; this is only time plastic bags are allowed
- ✓ **Boxboard/cardboard** – larger pieces should be folded/flattened and placed under the blue box

### ITEMS NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR BLUE BOX ARE:

- ✗ **Glass** – non-deposit glass bottles and jars are accepted at the Comox Return Centre, and deposit glass can be taken there, too, for a refund.
- ✗ **Foam packaging** – (Styrofoam, for example) is accepted at the Comox Return Centre.
- ✗ **“Soft” plastics** – plastic bags and over-wrap must now go to the Comox Return Centre.

For more information on what can be recycled where, visit [RecycleBC.ca](http://RecycleBC.ca)

