

# Large Rigid Plastics Recycling

Only at Recycling Center—Not for Curbside Collection



Living in a town where the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority collects your recyclables provides a new opportunity for you: **the recycling of large rigid plastics.**

**What are large rigid plastics?** They are harder and thicker plastics than the plastic bottles you have been recycling. Large rigid plastics will be baled and sold to manufacturers who recycle them and make new products.

**How do I recycle large rigid plastic items?** Large rigid plastic items are NOT acceptable for curbside collection. They are acceptable only at your town's recycling center. Carefully read the signs on the large rigid plastic items container before putting anything into that container. (See sample signs to the right.)

**Important:** Do not put large rigid plastics into any recycling center containers designated for bottles, cans, paper or single-stream recyclables.

**Can I recycle small rigid plastic items at curbside?** Yes, if they can fit inside your curbside recycling bin. Large rigid plastic items are not accepted curbside and must be recycled at the town's recycling center.

## Acceptable Items:

- Large plastic toys
- Laundry baskets
- Soda & milk crates
- Plastic pet carriers
- Kitty litter buckets
- Plastic storage containers
- Plastic garbage & recycling containers
- Empty & dry plastic paint cans
- Plastic shelving
- Plastic outdoor furniture without PVC pipes
- 5-gallon buckets without metal handles



## Unacceptable Items -

### **Do not recycle with large rigid plastics:**

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| • Plastic bottles & metal cans | • Metal—remove from items          | • Plastic sheets or film     |
| • PVC # 3                      | • 55-gallon drums                  | • Vinyl siding               |
| • Polystyrene (Styrofoam®) # 6 | • Liquids                          | • Fiberglass                 |
| • Flower pots & trays          | • Chemical or motor oil containers | • Rubber items               |
| • Bags                         | • Coolers                          | • Cardboard & other paper    |
| • Computers & electronics      | • Tool boxes                       | • Wood                       |
| • Electric appliances          | • Wheels—remove from items         | • Glass                      |
| • Electric toys                | • Tires                            | • Dirt, rocks, mud           |
| • Battery-operated items       | • Water hoses                      | • Medical or hazardous waste |
|                                | • Vacuum hoses                     | • Clothing                   |
|                                | • Drain pipes                      | • Garbage                    |

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## Rigid Plastics Recycling For Large Items:



**Large Toys**  
**Laundry Baskets**  
**Soda & Milk Crates**  
**Plastic Pet Carriers**  
**Kitty Litter Buckets**  
**Plastic Storage Containers**  
**Garbage / Recycling Containers**  
**Empty & Dry Plastic Paint Cans**  
**Plastic Outdoor Furniture Without PVC Pipes**  
**5-Gallon Buckets - Remove Metal Handles**  
**No Other Types of Plastic**

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## Unacceptable Items:



**Do not put the following  
into the Rigid Plastics Container:**

**PVC ♻️ • Polystyrene (Styrofoam®) ♻️**  
**Flower Pots • Flower Trays**  
**Computers • Electric Appliances**  
**Electronics • Electric Toys**  
**Battery-operated Items**  
**Chemical or Motor Oil Containers**  
**Coolers • Tires • Tool Boxes • Wheels**  
**Water Hoses • Vacuum Hoses • Drain Pipes**  
**Vinyl Siding • Fiberglass**  
**Bags • Rubber Items • 55-Gallon Drums**

**No Small Plastic Containers or Bottles**  
**No Dirt • No Garbage**

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