

## Recycling Goose Game

### Appendix 1

# PLASTIC

**GENERAL RULE:** It should go in the plastic bin if it is a plastic **wrapping** or **packaging** (whether for food, drink, products, goods etc.), a plastic **bag**, a plastic **plate** or **drinking glass**, or a piece of **polystyrene**.

It **always** goes in the plastic bin if it has any of these symbols:



It **never** goes in the plastic bin (and should be brought to a *special drop-off site*) if it has any of these symbols:



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### ITEMS THAT SHOULD GO IN THE PLASTIC BIN

- Plastic bottles of water or drinks
- Bubble wrap sheets and plastic packaging air bags
- Plastic bottles of detergents, liquid soap and the like
- Plastic bubble wraps
- Plastic bags and envelopes
- Plastic food packagings
- Plastic glasses and plates
- Blocks and pieces of unaltered polystyrene



### ITEMS THAT SHOULD NOT GO IN THE PLASTIC BIN

- Basins and buckets → Unsorted waste (they are used to contain other items or liquids only after they have been sold)
- Plastic cutlery → Unsorted waste (recycling plants are not equipped to sort and process them)
- Kitchen gloves → Unsorted waste
- Marker/highlighter pens → Unsorted waste
- Rulers and set squares → Unsorted waste
- Toys and balls → Unsorted waste
- CDs, DVDs and Blu-Ray disks → Unsorted waste (they are a mix of plastic and metals, and it would be really difficult to salvage the individual components)
- Electronic equipment → Drop-off site (all electronics and circuits contain rare and valuable materials that must be salvaged)

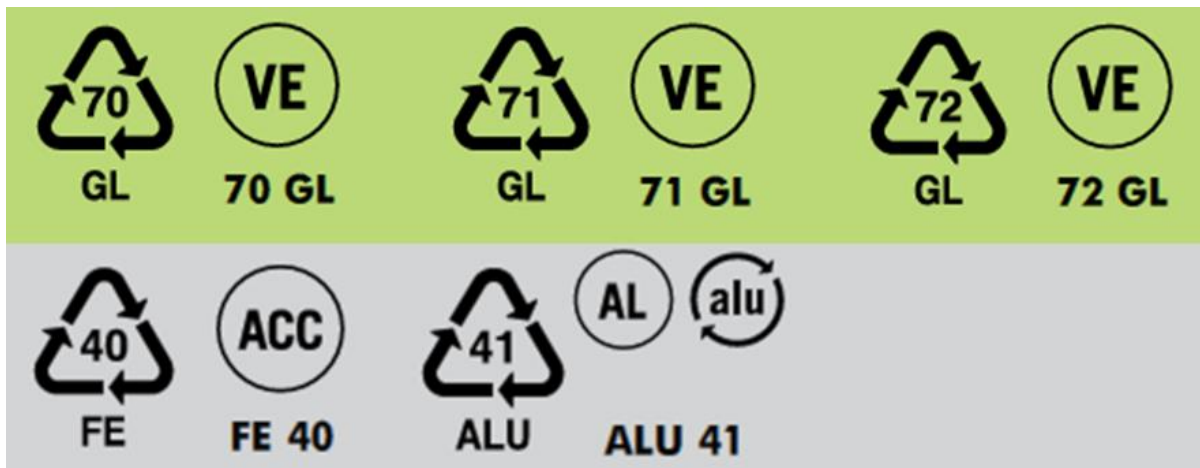


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# GLASS AND ALUMINUM

**GENERAL RULE:** It should go in the glass and aluminum bin if it is a glass **bottle** or **jar**, a metal **can** for drinks or food, an **aluminum tray** or piece of **foil**, or an **empty spray can**.

It **always** goes in the glass and aluminum bin if it has any of these symbols:



It **never** goes in the glass and aluminum bin (and should be brought to a *special drop-off site*) if it has any of these symbols:



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### ITEMS THAT SHOULD GO IN THE GLASS AND ALUMINUM BIN

- Glass bottles of water or drinks
- Glass jars of jam, sauce or pickles
- Metal caps (from beer bottles and the like)
- Cans of drinks, beans, tuna or animal food
- Oven/baking aluminum trays and foils
- Empty spray cream or compressed air cans



### ITEMS THAT SHOULD NOT GO IN THE GLASS AND ALUMINUM BIN

- **Light bulbs and neon tubes** → Drop-off site (they contain several materials, some of which must be salvaged in specific ways, and their glass is not of a type that could be recycled by normal plants anyway)
- **Glass containers of drugs or perfumes** → Unsorted waste (their glass is not of a type that could be recycled by normal plants)
- **Mirrors** → Unsorted waste, Drop-off site if very large
- **Crystal and Pyrex items** → Unsorted waste
- **Ceramic and glass-ceramic items**  
→ Unsorted waste
- **Window and car window glasses**  
→ Drop-off site





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# PAPER

**GENERAL RULE:** It should go in the paper bin if it is a sheet or piece of **paper** or **cardboard** (unless they were **treated or soaked in chemicals or fats**, or **contain metals or plastics in their structure**).



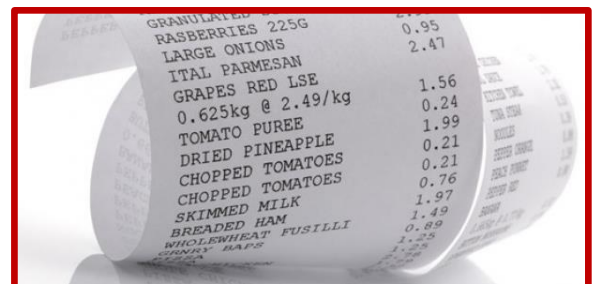
### ITEMS THAT SHOULD GO IN THE PAPER BIN

- Paper sheets (even if written or printed on)
- Book pages (unless plasticised)
- Card stocks, cardboards and cardboard boxes
- Letter envelopes (even if windowed)



### ITEMS THAT SHOULD NOT GO IN THE PAPER BIN

- **Sale receipts** → *Unsorted waste (receipts are printed on thermal paper, which is treated with chemicals and therefore non-recyclable)*
- **Paper plates** → *Unsorted waste (they are not just paper, their surface is laminated with different materials that can't be macerated or composted)*



- **Photographic, lucid and plasticized paper** → *Unsorted waste (they contain chemicals and/or laminations with different, potentially toxic materials)*
- **Paper towels, tissues, absorbent paper and toilet paper (white or with just small decorations)** → *Organic waste (their structure does not allow maceration, but they can still be composted)*

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- **Paper towels, tissues, absorbent paper and toilet paper (colored or soaked in chemicals) → Unsorted waste** (the coloring is often achieved with metal pigments, which makes them not safe for composting)
- **Wet wipes → Unsorted waste** (they are soaked with chemicals, so they can't even be composted)
- **Greasy pizza cardboard boxes → Organic waste** (the absorbed fats prevent maceration, but they can still be composted, if thrown away in small pieces)
- **Non-woven fabrics → Unsorted waste** (unless specified otherwise, they are made of plastics which are neither bio degradable or recyclable as plastic)



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# ORGANIC WASTE

**GENERAL RULE:** It should go in the organic waste bin if it is a **biodegradable** item that **does not contain any toxic or environmentally dangerous chemicals**.

It **never** goes in the organic waste bin (and should be brought to a *special drop-off site*) if it has any of these symbols:



## ITEMS THAT SHOULD GO IN THE ORGANIC WASTE BIN

- Human or animal food, also if expired (the packaging must, of course, be disposed of separately in the appropriate bin)
- Wooden toothpicks and ice cream sticks
- Leaves, flowers, grass and small branches (in small amounts)
- Biodegradable bags and bottles
- Paper towels, tissues, absorbent paper and toilet paper (white or with just small decorations)
- Greasy pizza cardboard boxes (after shredding it to pieces)



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### ITEMS THAT SHOULD NOT GO IN THE ORGANIC WASTE BIN

- **Non-fat liquids** → Sewerage system
- **Oils (used or not)** → Drop-off site (they must be collected in bottles and brought to a designated collection site, you must absolutely **NOT** pour them down a sink, toilet or sewer)
- **Treated or painted wood** → Drop-off site (wood paints and stains are usually toxic)
- **Leather items** → Unsorted waste (once tanned, leather becomes incredibly resistant and is no longer biodegradable like normal organic tissue)
- **Cigarettes and cigarette butts** → Unsorted waste (the filters and paper used for cigarettes contain non-degradable and potentially toxic substances)
- **Diapers and adult diapers** → Unsorted waste (they contain potentially toxic substances)
- **Large amounts of leaves, flowers, grass and branches** → Drop-off site (regular separate collection is not equipped to deal with them)





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# SPECIAL DROP-OFF SITES AND COLLECTION POINTS

**GENERAL RULE:** It should be brought to a special drop-off site or collection point if it is a **very large item**, a **toxic or special waste**, a **cable** or an **electronic device of any kind**, and anything containing either **particularly dangerous or valuable salvageable materials**.



Apart from some liquids that can be safely poured down the drain as part of their intended use (for example, detergents and disinfectants), **everything** that contains any of these symbols must be brought to a drop-off site or a dedicated collection point:



Special drop-off sites and collection points are set up and organized very differently depending on country and local legislation. You should always check the dispositions for your town or area in order to know where exactly you should bring or throw all waste that does not belong in one of the regular bins.