



Recycling Plastic Bags

Reduce the number of bags you use by putting more items in each bag

Reuse older bags or take a reusable bag to the store with you

Recycle return extra bags to the store for recycling

Generally Acceptable for Recycling

Note: All material must be empty, clean and dry

- Plastic grocery bags
- Plastic retail bags (remove string ties & rigid plastic handles)
- Plastic dry-cleaning bags
- Plastic bread bags and plastic produce bags
- Plastic newspaper sleeves
- Plastic packaging (around cases of paper towels, bath tissue, etc.)
- Plastic stretch/shrink wrap
- Plastic ziplock bags (remove rigid closing mechanism)
- Plastic bags that are clean and dry with a #2 or #4 recycling symbol
- Plastic bubble wrap

Not Accepted for Recycling

Do not include the following:

- Plastic bags with food residue
- Plastic bottles
- Plastic food containers
- Plastic prepackaged food bags (from frozen or microwavable foods)
- Plastic soil or mulch bags
- Biodegradable or compostable bags
- Receipts, tape, labels
- Saran Wrap
- Six pack rings

Retailers That Accept Plastic Bags for Recycling

Farm Fresh Food Lion Kroger Lowe's
 Martin's Target Walmart Whole Foods

Plastic bags can be recycled into many different products!

Kroger stores participate in HilexPoly's Bag-2-Bag program and plastic bags returned to the store are recycled into new plastic bags. For more information, visit www.HilexPoly.com.

Farm Fresh, Martin's and Target participate in plastic bag recycling with Trex Company in Winchester, VA. At Trex, plastic bags are recycled into composite lumber. A Trex 2x6 board that is 16 feet long uses approximately 2,250 plastic bags. Trex Company obtains about 50% of the available recycled plastic grocery bags in the nation. For more information, visit www.trex.com/plan/why-trex/environmentally-friendly/recycling-programs/index.htm

MARTIN'S Food Markets also donates park benches to community organizations as part of its "Bags to Benches" program. Inquire at MARTIN'S Food Markets, Attn: Community Relations, PO Box 249, Carlisle, PA 17013.

Other stores may accept plastic bags for recycling as well. Check with your local retailers or visit www.abagslife.com. Visit www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/#3 for more information on plastic film recycling.

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