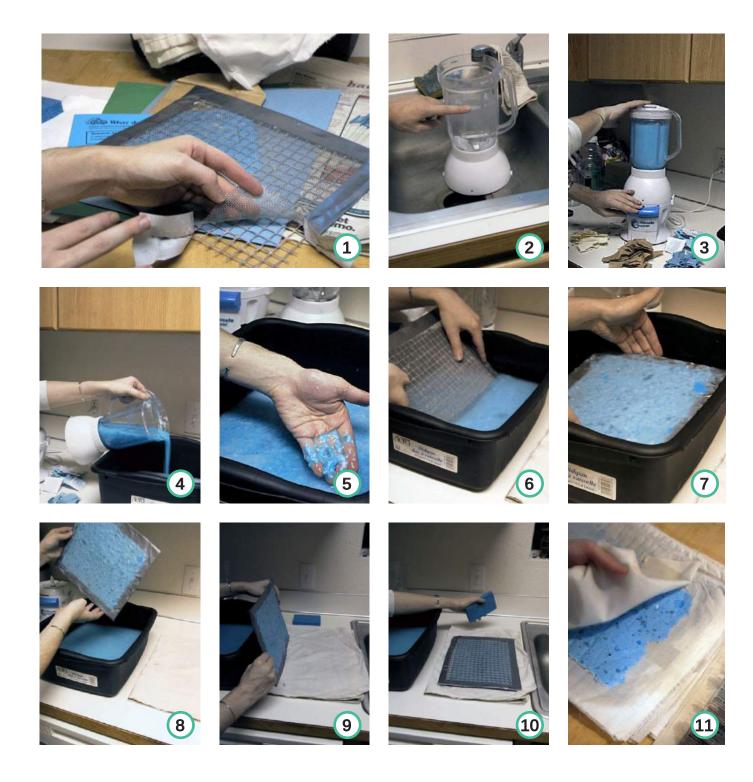
## Step by step of how to recycle paper: intructions\*



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## What you'll need:

- Scrap paper
- Water
- A blender or food processor
- A small, sturdy piece of screen
- A small piece of mesh
- A cloth and a sponge
- A rectangular bin to hold water (a 13" x 9" pan would also work)
- News paper pages
- Optional: decorations like dried flowers or leaves and painting

## **Steps**

- 1- Prepare the screen (image 1): take the sturdy piece of screen and the mesh and cut them so that they have the same dimension. Place them one on top of each other and an put them together with some duct tape all around the edges (this will both link them together and also cover the sharp edges).
- 2- Tear the paper into small pieces and put into a blender with warm water. Blend until the mixture becomes a fairly smooth pulp (you can add some painting into the blender to obtain coloured paper images 2 and 3)
- 3- Pour the pulp into your bin or pan and add some water to it (images 4 and 5).
- 4- Holding the screen at about a 45 degree angle, dip it into the pulp. Shake the screen back and forth a bit to obtain an even consistency of pulp covering (images 6 and 7).
- 5- Pull the screen slowly out of the container, tilting it to drain of excess water. At this point, you can add decorations like dried leaves and flowers. Be sure to add a little more pulp to cover the decorations so they adhere to the paper (image 8).
- 6- Quickly flip the screen upside down onto the cloth (image 9).
- 7- Soak up as much water as you can by pressing the sponge through the back of the screen. Once you have gotten as much water out of the paper as you can slowly pull the screen back from the paper. You now have the pulp on top of the cloth as an actual sheet. (image 10).
- 8- At this point, You can let it dry on the cloth or you can let your paper dry on another surface like a piece of newspaper. In order to do that put a piece of newspaper onto the pulp and flip everything upsidedown. Slowly remove the cloth from the pulp that is now sitting on top of the newspaper (image 11).
- 9- Now be sure to let your paper dry for a day or so.