

## **Recycling in the Village of Wilmette**

*Please let your kids help with the recycling!*

### **The following items are recyclable in the Village of Wilmette:**

**All plastics stamped with a number 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 7** in the recycling symbol.  
**Styrofoam cups, empty egg cartons and clamshell carry-out food containers stamped with a number 6** are now accepted.  
**Juice boxes** (aseptic packaging). (Juice bags, however, are not recyclable.)  
**Aluminum foil**, rinsed clean.  
**Milk and juice cartons** (gable top containers).  
**Newspapers and all inserts, including glossies.**  
**Mixed paper and junk mail** (envelopes with plastic address windows are accepted).  
**Magazines, catalogs and telephone books.**  
**Corrugated cardboard and chipboard, i.e. boxes for frozen food and cereal boxes**  
  
(flattened, no larger than 2' x 2').  
**Aluminum and tin cans**, rinsed clean.  
Plastic packaging (**6- and 12-pack rings**).  
**Steel cans and containers.**  
**Aerosol cans** (empty).  
**Glass bottles and jars**, rinsed clean.  
**Old car batteries** (not cracked or leaking).  
**Used motor oil** (placed in a clear plastic jug).

*Note that all recyclables in Wilmette now may be intermingled in the recycling bins!*

### **The following items are not recyclable in Wilmette:**

**Plastic bags** are not accepted for recycling. However, plastic bags marked with a 2 or 4 in the recycling symbol can be recycled through some grocery stores, including many shopping bags, and bags used to package food and mail-order clothes.  
Soiled fiber materials (**used paper towels, plates and pizza boxes**) cannot be recycled.  
**All caps and lids from containers or cans** should be removed and discarded.

*Our Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County at [www.swancc.org](http://www.swancc.org) has more information about items you might not have known could be recycled, such as CFL bulbs, CDs, electronics and even refrigerators.*