

# Thank you for recycling with us!



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Tuscola County Recycle

*Hours of operation:  
Monday thru Friday  
8:00– 4:30*

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## **What and How to recycle** **KEEP IT CLEAN - KEEP IT SEPARATE**

### **Newspaper, Junk Mail, Office Paper,**

This also includes copy paper, lined paper, typing paper, computer paper, file folders, inserts, envelopes, etc. Keep all papers clean and dry. You do not need to remove any staples, or paper clips. Any other metal or non paper items should be removed. Paper products can be brought in any type of container. Please keep all magazines separate. Please put boxboard with cardboard., NO paper plates, cups, napkins, Kleenex or paper towels. No books.



### **Magazines**

Magazines should be kept separate from other paper products. Magazines will be glossy all the way through.

### **Corrugated Cardboard & Boxboard**

Includes all cardboard that is constructed with corrugated grooves. Boxboard includes cereal, and cracker boxes, etc. NO wax-coated containers. NO refrigerated food containers such as milk, ice cream, juice, or frozen food boxes.



### **Glass**

We accept glass food and beverage containers (all colors), drinking vessels (pint, wine, mason jars), candle jars, windows, shower doors, table tops (all framework removed).



### **Steel**

Tin cans, jar container lids, and scrap metals are accepted. Rinse out all cans, and keep separate from aluminum.

### **Aluminum**

Tin foil, foil pans, pie plates, non deposit aluminum cans, cat food cans are accepted. Rinse out, and keep separate from steel cans.



### **Plastics** (Look for the number on the bottom)

We accept **bottle form** plastics #1 and #2 .

Rinse out all bottles.

Examples of accepted plastics:

#1 clear water, soda and juice

bottles.#2 milk jugs, colored soap bottles, shampoo, fabric softener, and bleach bottles

#5 tubs, trays, cups, and bottles.

No plastic bags. No motor oil, pesticide, herbicide, or hazardous waste containers.



### **Polystyrene Foam**

Includes clean meat trays, foam cups, clam shells, egg cartons, foam plates and bowls. Keep separate from packing peanuts. No construction foam board.



### **Oil and antifreeze**

Cannot be mixed with any contaminants or water. Empty containers will be returned to owners. No containers larger than five gallon pails.

### **Electronics**

We accept a wide variety of electronics such as TVs\* (fee), computers\*, radios, microwaves, etc.

**\*All TV's, laptops, and monitors have a fee**

(These fees serve to *partially* cover processing expenses for these items!)

Screens under 20" are \$10 each, over "20 inches are \$20 each.



**Household batteries** Keep separate/ tape cells

**Rechargeable batteries and auto batteries**

**Ink jet cartridges** NO remanufactured or toner bottles

**Rubber covered cords**

**Cell phones**

**Vinyl siding** remove all nails and wood

**Bubble wrap and packing peanuts**

## Confidential Document Destruction

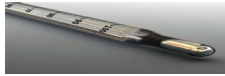
The Tuscola County Recycling Facility offers confidential document destruction to all businesses and residents. For a small fee of .10 cents per pound you can have your personal files securely shredded for you.

Note: there is a \$1 minimum fee for this service.

**Please remove all plastic, binders, binder clips, rubber bands, hanging folders, and metal tabs.**



## Mercury containing products



Tuscola County Recycling Facility can accept items that contain mercury. These items include thermometers, thermostats, and mercury switches. CFL bulbs are also accepted, for a small fee. CFL bulbs, and fluorescent light tubes up to four feet in length are .50 cents each. Fluorescent light tubes over four feet in length are \$1.00 each.

## Electronics Recycling

**There is a fee for all Televisions & Monitors**



Screens up to 20 diagonal inches are \$10.  
Screens over 20 diagonal inches are \$20.

(These fees serve only to *partially* cover processing expenses for these items!)

\*Auto Batteries \*Printers \*Scanners  
\*Keyboards \*Stereos \*Cell Phones  
\*Rubber Covered Cords \*Fax Machines  
\*DVD Players \*VCRs \*Microwaves  
\*Speakers \*Telephones \*Towers  
\*Cameras \*Radios \*Electronic games  
\*Household Batteries

## Residential Tire Recycling



**\*No more than 7 tires per vehicle**

**\*No tires accepted on any type of axle**

**\*Tires must be clean, dry and free of mud and other materials**

### Passenger/ Light truck tire

(under 17" rim)

\$3.50 per tire in county

\$5.00 per tire (rim) in county

\$7.00 per tire out of county

\$10.00 per tire (rim) out of county

### Medium/ Heavy duty (semi)

(17" to 22" rim)

\$14.00 per tire in county

\$17.00 per tire (rim) in county

\$28.00 per tire out of county

\$34.00 per tire (rim) out of county

### Tractor tires

( over 22" rim)

**Must be under 48" in height and 12" in width**

\$30.00 per tire in county

\$60.00 per tire out of county

## Freon Containing Appliances



Tuscola County Recycling Facility accepts your Freon containing appliances year round, for a small fee. Freon depletes the ozone unless it is properly handled. Let us help you dispose of these items in a safe, environmentally friendly manner. We accept items such as freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners and dehumidifiers. Remove all plastic, and glass trays, tubs, and shelves.

**The fee is \$15.00 per item.**

**We will not accept appliances which have had the Freon lines cut or the pump removed.**

## Paint Collection

**May 1st-October 1st only**  
**Collecting paint & stain for a fee of \$3.00per can, and \$15.00 per bucket.**

This paint will be strained, and colored for resale. Please no dried out paint. Dried out



latex paints can be placed in the garbage, but any liquid paint cannot. These fees are for all stains, latex, and oil based paints.



## Products recycled in 2023

1,079,517 pounds=  
540 tons of recyclables

173,794 pounds of paper

613,777 pounds of cardboard

32,400 pounds of glass

130,750 pounds of tires

32,003 pounds of plastic

10,381 pounds of electronics

15,089 pounds of hazardous waste

44,661 pounds of metals

4,530 pounds of Styrofoam

11,655 pounds of oil

1,857 pounds of batteries

8,620 pounds of other recyclables



## Satellite trailer locations

We have satellite trailers in Mayville, and Cass City.

Thursdays, in Mayville, at the Neiman's Family Market parking lot.

Fridays, in Cass City, behind the Municipal building

\*All collections are from 9:00 AM– 12:30 PM

\*No collections on holidays

\*No collections during inclement weather

### **•Township trailers are located in:**

Juniata, at the Juniata Township Hall, 1971 South Ringle Road, Caro. First Tuesday of the month from 3:00 PM till 7:00 PM, and the third Saturday of the month from 8:00 AM till 12:00 PM.

### **Village of Gagetown/ Elmwood Township**

at 4761 State Street, Gagetown. First Saturday of the month from 9:00AM– 12:00PM.

## Recycling Demonstrations and Tours

Schools, civic groups, church groups, etc. Do you need a speaker to give a presentation? The recycling demonstrations cover the fundamental ideas of recycling including; reduce, reuse, recycle and rebuy. The composting classes cover home composting, and composting with worms. Classes can be scheduled to accommodate small, or large groups. We can cover one class, or multiple classes in a day to fit your schedule.

The tours will show how we sort, shred, bail, weigh and process the recyclables. Each class, or tour are designed to last approximately one hour. These demonstrations, and tours are free. Please call to set up an appointment.

### Highlights

- Recycling demonstrations with recycle made items
- Composting and vermicomposting (worms) demonstrations
- Poster contests for schools
- Displays (libraries)
- Tours of the Recycling Facility



## Hazardous Waste Collection

Collection dates for hazardous materials will be

### **May 1 through October 1**

\*Anyone with more than a trunk full, must call ahead for arrangements

\*All material subject to available storage space

\*Flammable liquids such as gas, and mixed oil will only be accepted when ERG, the collection company, is at the recycling facility to do a pickup.

You will need an appointment for this.

\*All paint and stains (oil based & latex) have a per can/ bucket fee.

The latex paint will be recycled into a new paint product.

Note– this will take place of the two free hazardous waste collections

that were held in previous years.