## FREE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING DEPOT

## WASTE MANAGEMENT Ottawa Residential Recycling Center

Location: Ottawa Landfill: 2301 Carp Rd, Carp

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday 12 - 4pm, Saturday 8am - noon

The free public drop-off facility allows the disposal of various recyclable materials such as:

- Electronic Equipment
  - Televisions (under 32 inches)
  - Computer Monitors, desktops & notebook computers
  - Computer printers & fax machines
  - Computer peripherals such as keyboards & mice
- Tires
- Wood
- Scrap Steel
  - Household appliances without Freon
  - Bikes, lawn mowers, snow blowers (emptied of gas and oil)
  - BBQ's (no propane tanks)
  - Other steel products
- Aluminum & Metal Cans (clean only)
  - Aluminum food and beverage containers
  - Tin cans
- Glass
  - Glass food and beverage containers only brown, clear or green. No porcelain, ceramics, light bulbs or pane glass.
- Corrugated Cardboard (broken down & clean only)
  - Waxed or coated boxes are not accepted
  - Cardboard with food waste is not accepted
- Mixed Fibers
  - Newspapers
  - Catalogs
  - Office, printer and copier paper
  - Magazines
  - Boxboard (breakdown) detergent/laundry cartons, cereal, cracker cookie/biscuit, tissue boxes, etc
  - Telephone directories
- Materials NOT Accepted
  - Styrofoam
  - Oversized plastic items kid pool, lawn furniture, laundry hampers
  - Plastic bags, food trays, wrapping and packaging
  - Microwaves, microwave trays and glass cookware
  - Mirrors, window or auto glass
  - Light bulbs, ceramics and porcelain
  - Coat hangers
  - o Propane tanks
  - Industrial, commercial and institutional materials

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## Plastic Recycling Tip

To ensure that the type of plastic you are putting out for blue box collection is recyclable, remember:

IF IT'S NOT A PLASTIC BOTTLE, JUG, JAR, TUB OR TUB LID - IT'S NOT RECYCLABLE! The following items are also not acceptable for blue box recycling:

- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam
- Plastic/produce packaging

Consult the <u>Take it Back! directory</u> to discover which retailers in your area will take back plastic bags and styrofoam.

Plastic recycling can sometimes be misunderstood causing confusion and misuse. A great example of this are the little numbers with the arrows around them (below) on the bottom of many plastic containers. Plastic products have **different material density grades**, which are not reflected in the SPI Code. For example, a plastic pop bottle and some food trays are both coded with a #1 PETE even though these two containers are not the same material. The pop bottle is made with a high-density #1 PETE while the food tray is made with a low-density #1 PETE. The City of Ottawa's recycling program can only accept high-density plastic materials because at the present time there are no viable/sustainable markets for lower density plastics. In other words, no one has found a product to make out of the lower density plastics, therefore they cannot be recycled though the City's Blue Box Program.