



COMMERCIAL RECYCLING

A guide for Atlantic County Businesses



Atlantic County Utilities Authority

5 REASONS TO RECYCLE



1.

It's the Law

Recycling has been the law in New Jersey since 1987.

2.

It Saves Money

When a business recycles, there is less trash to throw away, which reduces costs for trash disposal.

3.

It Helps the Planet

Recycling conserves natural resources and saves energy.

4.

It Helps Your Town

For every ton of material recycled in a community, municipalities receive money through the New Jersey Municipal Tonnage Grant Program.

5.

It's Good for Business

Sustainability continues to grow in importance to customers. Recycling is a key environmental practice and a simple way to do your part.

STEPS TO SUCCESS



1. Designate Recycling Coordinator(s)

This person or group is responsible for starting the program, building support and enthusiasm, and monitoring progress.

2. Inform Janitorial Staff

Janitorial staff play a large role in recycling. They ensure items go from indoor recycling bins to the proper outdoor containers. They can also help to monitor which areas of your office or business need additional attention.

3. Perform a Waste Audit

A waste audit involves looking at your trash to determine which items are commonly thrown away, should be recycled or could be reduced.

4. Make Recycling Accessible

Try to place recycling bins next to every trash can. If employees or patrons have to walk far to reach a recycling bin, they may opt for the trash can. ACUA will provide



outdoor recycling containers (not intended for indoor use).

5. Get Employees on Board

An announcement should be made to all employees informing them about the program, why your organization will recycle, and the importance of participating. ACUA can provide outreach materials.

6. Monitor and Evaluate

Evaluate what works for your business and where problems exist. This data serves as the basis for effective communication efforts and program improvements!

WE CAN HELP

ACUA provides a variety of services to establish or grow your recycling program:

- FREE Waste Audits
- FREE Recycling Collection Services to most Atlantic County Businesses
- Recycling Program Startup Assistance
- Outdoor Collection Containers
- Employee Education
- Promotion/Recognition of Your Program



ACUA will provide outdoor recycling bins based on your need and size. Options include our 95-gallon recycling carts, two-yard or four-yard recycling dumpsters.



Contact us to set up your service today!

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Ask us about
custom posters for
your business!

Recycling Guide

PAPER CARDBOARD



Examples: Flattened Cardboard • Cereal Boxes • Junk Mail
Newspaper • Magazines

PAPEL – CARITULINA

PLASTICS

Only Plastic Bottles and Containers
#1, #2 and #5

Examples: Water Bottles • Beverage Bottles
Milk or Juice Jugs • Detergent Bottles
Condiment Containers • Yogurt Cups

PLÁSTICOS

*Solamente se aceptan botellas y envases de plástico con
#1, #2 o #5*



GLASS



Glass bottles and jars, all colors

VIDRIOS

Botellas y Jarras de Vidrio

METAL CANS



Aluminum, Tin or Steel Cans

METALES

Latas de Aluminio, Estaño, o Acero



DO NOT RECYCLE

- Aluminum Foil
- Batteries
- Broken Glass
- Bubble Wrap
- Cartons (Milk/Juice/Broth)
- Cellophane
- Dishes/Ceramics
- Electronics
- Frozen Food Boxes
- Food Residue
- Glassware
- Hardback Books
- Hazardous Waste
- Ice Cream Containers
- Light Bulbs
- Liquids
- Mirrors
- Needles
- Paint Cans
- Paper Towels/Napkins
- Plastic Bags
- Plastic utensils, plates
- Plastics #3,4,6,7
- Pots/Pans
- Shredded Paper
- Sharps
- Styrofoam
- Tangly Items like hoses/cords
- Tissues
- Toys
- Utensils
- Waxed Paper
- Wet Paper/Cardboard
- Wrapping Paper

Items should be empty, clean and dry!

**Please store items loose in
container. NO PLASTIC BAGS!**

DISPOSAL RESOURCES FOR OTHER MATERIALS



Agricultural Waste

acua.com/agwaste

Electronics

acua.com/electronics

Fluorescent Lamps and Ballasts

acua.com/hhw

Food Waste

acua.com/foodrecycling

Hazardous Waste

acua.com/hhw

Shredding

acua.com/shredding

Please contact us if you are unsure how to dispose of an item.

CONTACT INFORMATION







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In addition to ACUA, your municipal recycling coordinator may assist in guiding you through specific recycling or solid waste regulations in your community:

Absecon	(609) 641-0663	Hammonton	(609) 567-4336
Atlantic City	(609) 347-5700	Linwood	(609) 926-7994
Brigantine	(609) 266-7800	Longport	(609) 823-2731
Buena Borough	(856) 697-9393	Margate	(609) 822-5038
Buena Vista Township	(856) 692-4121	Mullica Township	(609) 561-7070
Corbin City	(609) 628-2673	Northfield	(609) 641-7610
Egg Harbor City	(609) 965-4683	Pleasantville	(609) 484-3641
Egg Harbor Township	(609) 926-3838	Port Republic	(609) 625-1501
Estell Manor	(609) 476-2692	Somers Point	(609) 927-4048
Folsom Borough	(609) 561-3178	Ventnor	(609) 823-7935
Galloway Township	(609) 652-3700	Weymouth Township	(609) 476-2633
Hamilton Township	(609) 625-6311		

GREEN GUIDANCE

In addition to recycling, ACUA is well-versed in many environmental practices that could benefit your business, including:

-  Alternative Fuels for Company Fleets such as Electric or Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
-  Green Purchasing Practices
-  Adopt-A-Road Litter Cleanups
-  Renewable Energy Use such as Solar Energy
-  Composting
-  Rain, Native and Pollinator Gardens



SHARE YOUR Success!

ACUA will recognize local businesses doing their part to help our environment. Please tell us about your efforts! Email ar@acua.com and connect with us on social media.



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