

# Recycle for Southend

## What can go in the pink sack?

All these materials CAN be recycled in the pink sack!

Note: All containers and materials should be clean of food and drink residues

### Household plastic packaging including:

- ✓ Drinks bottles
- ✓ Milk bottles
- ✓ Toiletry bottles
- ✓ Bottle lids (either on bottles or loose)
- ✓ Cling film, film wrap, plastic film
- ✓ Plastic bags (no biodegradable or degradable bags)
- ✓ Plastic meat/fish trays
- ✓ Yoghurt pots
- ✓ Fruit punnets
- ✓ Bubble wrap
- ✓ Takeaway containers
- ✓ Margarine/ice cream tubs
- ✓ Cake/pastry trays
- ✓ Soup/sauce containers
- ✓ Cleaning product bottles



### Cartons (e.g. Tetrapak) including:

- ✓ Milk/juice cartons
- ✓ Fabric conditioner cartons
- ✓ Soup/chopped tomato cartons
- ✓ Custard cartons



### Steel and aluminium including:

- ✓ Aluminium cans
- ✓ Steel cans
- ✓ Cooking foil
- ✓ Ready meal and pie foil trays
- ✓ Foil takeaway containers
- ✓ Metal jar lids
- ✓ Sweet/biscuit tins



### All paper and card including:

- ✓ Newspapers and magazines
- ✓ Shredded paper
- ✓ Junk mail, leaflets and brochures
- ✓ Letters
- ✓ Envelopes (including window)
- ✓ Shopping catalogues
- ✓ Telephone directories
- ✓ Toilet roll tubes
- ✓ Greetings cards
- ✓ Wrapping paper
- ✓ Soft backed or paperback books
- ✓ Cardboard packaging (large boxes should be flattened and left next to the pink sacks)
- ✓ Ready meal sleeves
- ✓ Cereal boxes
- ✓ Paper bags
- ✓ Egg boxes
- ✓ Confectionary boxes



### Glass bottles and jars including:

- ✓ Drinks bottles
- ✓ Jam jars (all different colours, no need to remove labels)
- ✓ Broken glass bottles and jars (these should be wrapped in thick newspaper or put in a cardboard box before placing in the pink sack)



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## What can't go in the pink sack?

### Examples of items that should be placed in the black sack:

- Polystyrene/ Styrofoam
- Coat hangers
- Flower pots
- Crisp packets
- Sweet wrappers
- Pens and pencils
- Cassettes, tapes and CDs
- Kitchen roll, tissues and wipes
- Dual materials (such as Pringles packs)
- Hard plastics (such as children's toys)
- Sanitary waste (such as nappies)
- Medical containers (Don't forget unused medicines must be returned to the chemist)
- Pet bedding and faeces and cat litter
- Carpet and underlay
- Light bulbs (wrapped in newspaper)



Don't forget some items may be reused or donated to a charity shop, or sold on an auction website for example.

### Items that can be recycled at the Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) or elsewhere:

For guidance on using HWRCs visit [www.southend.gov.uk/hwrc](http://www.southend.gov.uk/hwrc)

- Wood – take to the HWRC or put small items in black sacks
- Ceramics – take to the HWRC
- Waste electrical and electronic items such as TV, phone, kettle and hairdryer – take to the HWRC
- Toner cartridges – where possible refill these, otherwise take to a charity or specialist toner recycling organisation
- Furniture – take to the HWRC
- Batteries – take to the HWRC or local retailers displaying the 'Be Positive' sign
- Food waste – put in the food waste bin, or some can be home composted
- Garden waste – home compost, put in the garden waste sacks or bin, or take to the HWRC
- Stone, rubble, soil – take to the HWRC, limited to one car boot load (with seats up) per occasion
- Cooking oil or engine oil – take both to the HWRC
- Scrap metals (other than those listed overleaf) – take to the HWRC
- Energy saving light bulbs and fluorescent tubes – take to the HWRC
- Textiles – take to charity shops, put in the mini recycling banks or in the clear textile recycling sacks



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