

BUY RECYCLED!



Recycling helps preserve our environment. The best way to make recycling work is to buy recycled products and packaging. Look for recycled content information on the products and packaging you are buying.

But what do those recycled terms mean??

Post-Consumer - is material, from any product that was bought by the consumer, used, collected in a recycling program and then recycled into another product. (This does not include manufacturing wastes).

For example, mail that you read and then recycle in made into recycled content paper towels, napkins, toilet paper or some other recycled product.

By looking for and buying the highest percentage post-consumer recycled content you can find, you help build demand for material collected in community recycling programs.

Pre-Consumer is factory trimmings, damaged or obsolete products and overruns generated from the manufacturing of a product.

For example, the ends or scraps of a paper roll, that are put back into the manufacturing process to make new paper.

Look For Sure Bets!

45% Of An Aluminum Can Is Made From Recycled Aluminum!

40% Of Newspapers Are Made From Recycled Paper!

37% of Corrugated Boxes Are Made From Recycled Paper and Cardboard!

35% Of Most Cereal Boxes Are Made From Recycled Paper!

(look for gray on the inside of the box)

25% Of A Glass Bottle Is Made From Recycled Glass!

25% Of A Metal Can Is Made From Recycled Metal!

Here are different products and packaging made from recycled materials:

At Home:

In the kitchen... Garbage bags - recycled plastics; paper towels and napkins - recycled junk

mail; canned food and beverages - recycled steel; glass bottles - recycled glass; soda cans - recycled aluminum; grocery bags - recycled paper or plastic; cereal, cookie and cracker packages - recycled paper.

In the bedroom... Wallboard - recycled newspaper and/or gypsum; clothes - recycled plastics or cotton; insulation in ski jackets, gloves and sleeping bags - recycled plastic soda bottles.

In the bathroom...

Toilet paper - recycled junk mail; shampoo bottles - recycled plastic; over the counter medicine - recycled paper packaging; shower curtain - recycled plastic.



In the livingroom... Newspaper - recycled newspaper; tissue and wrapping paper - recycled paper; telephone book - recycled paper; computer paper - recycled paper; computer disks - reconditioned computer disks; fireplace logs - recycled paper; paint - recycled paint; carpets - recycled plastic soda bottles; insulation - recycled newspaper.

Around the yard... Composter - recycled plastic; Compost - recycled leaves, grass clippings and fruit and



Outdoor Furniture Made from Recycled Plastic

vegetable wastes;
picnic table -
recycled plastic;
mail box - recycled
plastic or steel;
deck - recycled
plastic; flower pots
- recycled plastic

milk bottles; playground mat - recycled
tires.

In the garage... Motor oil - re-refined
motor oil;
antifreeze -
reconditioned
antifreeze;
cleaning products
- recycled plastic
bottles; recycling bins - recycled plastic;
tires - retreads; laundry products -
recycled plastic and/or paper; car -
recycled plastic and steel; NYS license
plates - recycled aluminum.



Office Recycled
Product Examples:

Carpeting- Plastic
Lumber - Pencils -
Binders - Landscaping
Mulch - Mouse Pads -
Wrapping Paper -

Calendars - Furniture - Legal Pads - Motor
Oil- Door Mats- Writing Paper - Note Pads
- Greeting Cards and Other Stationary
Supplies - Packing Boxes- And More!



School Recycled Product Examples:
Writing Paper - Pencils - Pocket Folders -
Index Cards - Computer Paper - Toilet
Paper - Paper Towels - Napkins - Bulletin
Boards -
3 Ring Binders - Dividers - File Holders -
Manila Folders - And More!

So Buy Recycled....

Close the "Loop" and use the products
and packaging that are made from
recycled materials.

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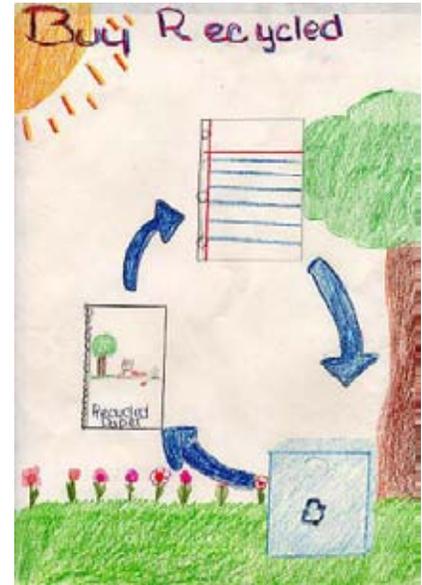
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