RecycleMania 2014 Approved List of Materials

What Materials Are Included?

Each category has a defined set of recyclable materials that can be included in the weekly weight totals. Aside from the targeted material categories, the following materials are reported for the main categories:

What Materials Are Counted:

The following details what may be can be included under the traditional material categories.

- Paper
  - Boxboard / chipboard
  - Catalogs
  - Hard and softbound books
  - Junk mail
  - Magazines
  - Newspaper
  - Office Paper (all colors)
  - Phone books
- Cans and Bottles
  - #1 through #7 Plastic (e.g., soda, water, juice, beer, laundry detergent bottles)
  - Aluminum cans
Glass bottles and jars

- Steel cans
- Other food or beverage containers accepted by local recycling program

- Cardboard
  - Baled and unbaled cardboard boxes
  - Boxboard / chipboard

- Trash
  - Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)
  - Construction and demolition waste and medical waste are not included

- Food Service Organics
  - Pre and post-consumer food waste
  - Compostable dinnerware, napkins, etc.
  - Food waste used as animal feed may be included

- Electronics (E-Waste)
  Schools may include specific materials not included on this list that are otherwise accepted as "electronics" by their recycling service provider.
  - Computers, printers, related equipment
  - Hand held devices
  - Consumer electronics
  - Power cords, chargers and other ancillary equipment
**Unacceptable Materials:**

The following materials are not included in the combined material categories:

- Appliances
- Materials from construction and demolition projects
- Furniture
- Industrial plastics
- Other miscellaneous recyclable items
- Pallets
- Scrap metal
- Scrap wood
- Yard waste

Food waste, electronics and film plastic are featured in their respective targeted categories but are not included in the Per Capita Classic, Grand Champion, Waste Minimization or Gorilla categories.