

Recycling Authority December 2019

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Holiday Recycling Guide!

While the list of items accepted for recycling does not change with the holiday season, the following items can cause some confusion this time of year.

These items are **NOT** accepted in your curbside recycling bin or cart nor at the recycling drop-off sites.

If you are not sure if something can be recycled please use the RRRASOC <u>Recycling</u> <u>Directory</u>.

Plastic Bags, Plastic Mailing Envelopes Toys

Electronics Ornaments

Batteries Bubble Wrap

Holiday Lights Ribbon

Christmas Trees Bows

Tissue Paper Cellophane

Metallic or Glitter Paper Clothing - In Simple Recycling bags ONLY

Christmas Tree Recycling

Oakland County Parks will provide Christmas tree recycling at 11 sites throughout the county from December 26, 2019 through January 26, 2020.

For more information, visit **Oakland County Parks**.





Holiday Waste Facts

Americans create 25% more trash during the holidays. But we don't have to! Check out the holiday waste facts below and think about how you can make your holidays more eco-friendly!

- 1. Holiday lights in the U.S. use more than 2.2 million mega-watt hours of electricity every holiday season. That's enough electricity to run more than 173,000 homes for a year.
- 2. Approximately 1.5 billion cards are sent over the holiday season in the U.S., which requires 300,000 new trees to be harvested per year.
- 3. 3 in 4 Americans wish that holidays were less materialistic. Nearly 9 in 10 believe that holidays should be more about family and caring for others, not giving and receiving gifts.
- 4. There are approximately 33 million live holiday trees sold in the U.S. every year.
- 5. In the past 50 years, humans have consumed more resources than in all of previous history.

Take Our "Most Littered Item" Survey

What is the most littered item in the United States?

Plastic Bags	Select
Food Wrappers	Select
Cigarettes	Select
Straws	Select

RRRASOC Recycling Directory

Not sure what to do with stuff?

Visit <u>rrrasoc.org</u> and use the Recycling Directory search bar to type in keywords and get recycling, composting, reuse or disposal instructions.

The searchable, intuitive format of the Recycling Directory provides RRRASOC specific information.

Also Available:

- Mobile App
 - From your App Store or Google Play, search for "Recycling Authority"
- Alexa Enabled Device
 - Simply say, "Alexa, enable Recycling Directory."



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