

HOW TO RECYCLE FILM PLASTIC PACKAGING AT RECYCLING CENTRES

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Can you poke your thumb through it?



YES

Does it stand up and/or have a zipper lock?



NO

YES

Is it crinkly or foil-lined?



NO

Is it woven or netted?



NO

Is it bubble wrap, plastic shipping envelopes, plastic air packets, or shrink wrap?



NO YES

Items must be clean and dry

CATEGORY 1

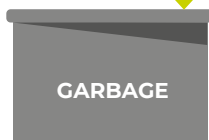


Plastic Bags and Overwrap

CATEGORY 2



Other Flexible Plastic Packaging



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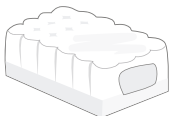
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FILM PLASTIC PACKAGING ACCEPTED AT RECYCLING CENTRES

Category 1: Plastic Bags and Overwrap



GROCERY BAGS &
BREAD BAGS



CASE LOT CAN/BOTTLE
& HYGIENE PRODUCT
OVERWRAP



BULK PRODUCE
FOOD BAGS

Category 2: Other Flexible Plastic Packaging



STAND-UP &
ZIPPER LOCK
POUCHES



CRINKLY POTATO CHIP
BAGS & SNACK BAR
WRAPPERS



CRINKLY NOODLE
& CEREAL
PACKAGING



WOVEN & NET
PRODUCE BAGS



BUBBLE WRAP &
NON-FOOD PROTECTIVE
PACKAGING

- X** no biodegradable or compostable plastics
- X** film plastic packaging is **not** accepted in curbside totes

Why Two Recycling Categories?

Plastic Bags and Overwrap are made of the same type of plastic material which is fully recyclable. Other Flexible Plastic Packaging is made of many types of plastic, not all of which are easily recycled. The collection of these items is part of a research and development project; residuals are recovered and processed into engineered fuel.

Visit RecycleBC.ca/FlexiblePackaging for more information.



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