



# Kalamazoo Area Recycling Information

In conjunction with the Kalamazoo area recycling facilities, Allied Waste is pleased to provide you with this new guide of recyclable materials in your area. Please read sorting and preparation instructions carefully, as we do not wish to contaminate a load being taken to the Materials Recycling Facility.



## Paper

### Acceptable Items

- ◆ Newspaper (including glossy inserts)
- ◆ Typing, writing and computer paper
- ◆ Discarded mail fliers
- ◆ Magazines and catalogues
- ◆ Brown paper bags
- ◆ Wrapping paper
- ◆ Telephone books
- ◆ Paperback books
- ◆ Envelopes (including windowed envelopes)
- ◆ Paperboard boxes (shoe, cereal or soda can boxes, etc)
- ◆ Corrugated cardboard boxes

### Preparation

- ◆ Place paper items in brown paper bags
- ◆ Remove any staples, strapping, plastic sleeves or paper clips
- ◆ Please remove all plastic liners from paperboard boxes
- ◆ Please break down all corrugated cardboard and/or cut to fit in brown paper bag
- ◆ Please do not place in plastic bags or corrugated cardboard boxes

### Non-Acceptable Items

- ◆ Napkins, tissues, paper towels, or wax paper
- ◆ Used paper plates or any paper with food or food stains
- ◆ Wax coated or freezer boxes



## Metal

### Acceptable Items

- ◆ Steel and tin cans
- ◆ Aluminum foil, trays and cans

### Preparation

- ◆ Rinse clean
- ◆ Remove labels
- ◆ Caps and lids removed
- ◆ Flatten, if possible

### Non-Acceptable Items

- ◆ Paint Cans and Propane Cylinders
- ◆ Foilbacked paper, gum wrappers
- ◆ Aluminum siding
- ◆ Hangers
- ◆ Pots and pans
- ◆ Aerosol Cans



## Glass

### Acceptable Items

- ◆ Clear, brown, blue and green glass bottles and jars

### Preparation

- ◆ Remove lids and discard
- ◆ Rinse clean
- ◆ Remove any metal rings, plastic or foam labels (paper labels do not need to be removed)

### Non-Acceptable Items

- ◆ Dishes or ceramics
- ◆ Light bulbs
- ◆ Mirrors
- ◆ Windows



## Plastic

### Acceptable Items

- ◆ Plastic containers with the following numbered recycling symbols: #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7

### Preparation

- ◆ Remove and discard caps
- ◆ Wash all food residue, heavy soil, grease or soapy liquids from containers

### Non-Acceptable Items

- ◆ Bottles that contained automotive fluids or hazardous materials
- ◆ Styrofoam cups, plates, peanuts, packaging, etc
- ◆ Plastic bags such as, grocery, garbage, food storage, dry cleaning, etc
- ◆ Plastic film

## Drop-Off Site Location

Another option for recycling: Utilize the Allied Waste transfer station. The site is available to the public during normal operating hours; Monday through Friday from 8:00AM to 4:30PM and Saturday from 8:00AM to 12:00PM.

**Allied Waste Transfer Station**  
**3432 Gembrit Circle**  
**Kalamazoo, MI 49001**

### When in Doubt...

### Throw It Out!

If you have a question about an item not listed on this page, call our Customer Service Center at 1-877-MY-TRASH .

Please Note: Certain areas other than Kalamazoo are serviced by Michigan Recycling Industries located in Kalamazoo