

# Town of Bethlehem Plastics Recycling



Applies to all private haulers in town and the Town's Rupert Road Transfer Station.

**Please be careful ONLY to recycle accepted items! LAST UPDATED 10/1/18**

## ACCEPTED ITEMS:

Please rinse well. Only recycle **CLEAN** plastic items.

*The following plastic containers etc. are currently recyclable.*

- Water or soda bottles (or return for deposit)
- Milk and water jugs
- Detergent and fabric softener bottles
- Shampoo, conditioner, and liquid soap
- Salad dressing bottles
- Syrup, ketchup and mustard squeeze bottles
- Caps/large plastic lids (screw caps on bottles, large plastic lids only)
- Clean flower pots/planters/trays
- Hard plastic toys (cut large or outdoor toys/slides etc. to fit in curbside bin/cart)
- Clean food storage containers (Tupperware, Rubbermaid, etc.)
- Clean plastic yogurt, cottage cheese containers, butter tubs, etc.
- All clean plastic buckets, pails, etc.
- Old clean plastic garbage cans or recycling containers
- Clean and rinsed juice and milk cartons



## NOT ACCEPTED (please reuse, or discard):

- **NO Polystyrene/"Styrofoam" containers** (NOTE: Styrofoam packing peanuts and blocks may be accepted at shipping stores like "Ship, Copy, and More").
- **NO Plastic Bags or "Plastic Film"** (shrink wrap, etc. **NOTE:** Recycle plastic bags and other plastic film at large grocery and retail stores plastic bag recycling stations)
- **NO "Compostable" or "Bio-degradable" plastics** (as marked on the item; these can compromise the structural integrity of products made with recycled plastic. Reuse, or compost at a commercial composting site or with a compost hauler, or discard).
- **NO plastics which are soiled, or contaminated with anything hazardous** (e.g., NO motor oil containers, NO pesticide containers, NO peanut butter tubs you can't get clean, etc. NOTE: In addition to machinery, people are usually dealing with your recyclables along the line, often by hand. So **please clean them well!**)

