



# WASTE STREAMS AT SIMCOE PLACE



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## LEGISLATION

Introduced by the provincial government, Ontario Regulation 103/94 requires industrial, commercial and institutional facilities to implement source separation programs to help combat the growing global waste crisis by ensuring recyclable items are not being deferred to landfill.

Additionally, with the provincial announcement to ban food and organic waste from ending up in landfill, coupled by the federal ban on harmful single-use plastics, it is more important than ever to understand waste streams as well as know how to avoid cross contamination.

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## WHAT IS CROSS CONTAMINATION

Cross contamination is caused by non-recyclable materials found in the recycling system which prevents these items from being recycled.

Some examples can include leftover food in take-out containers, non-recyclable packaging, half-full pop cans or coffee cups, etc.

Even a small amount of peanut butter left in a jar or yogurt left at the bottom of a container can contaminate a ton of paper making it unmarketable for recycling and destined for the dump.



# TIPS TO AVOID CROSS CONTAMINATION

**Understand what is  
recyclable and what  
is waste**

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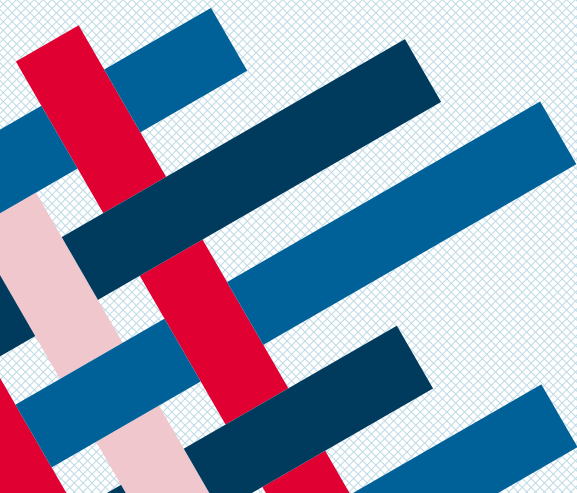
**Empty and rinse all food  
and beverage containers**

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**Ensure paper materials are  
separated from glass, can &  
plastic products and coffee cups**

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**Ensure waste is put in  
garbage bins**



# WHY SHOULD I SORT?



## INCREASED DIVERSION RATES

Canada as a whole produces roughly 700 kg of garbage per person, per year, generating more municipal solid waste per capita than any other country. Proper sorting will help us increase diversion rates and eliminate unnecessary items from ending up in our landfills



## ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

We see the consequences of improper sorting and disposal manifesting in all aspects of our environment, from climate change to impacts on marine life and even our health. Reducing items that end up in landfills will decrease methane emissions as well as reduce carbon dioxide levels and greenhouse gas.



## FINANCIAL BENEFITS

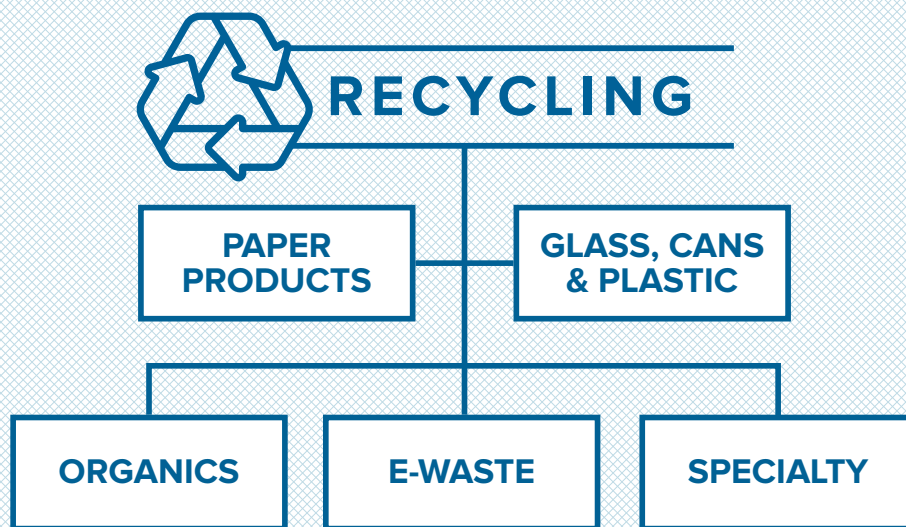
Commercial properties incur costs for waste disposal services for any waste - charged by weight - that is diverted to landfill. These charges are part of the operating costs that tenants are billed for. By sorting recyclables out of the garbage and disposing of waste items correctly, we will see a reduction of those disposal landfill costs which, in the end, will help to offset increased operations costs.

# KNOW YOUR WASTE STREAMS

While each municipality has different guidelines and capabilities, it is important to understand the various waste streams and recyclable items specific to Simcoe Place to ensure we are properly and effectively managing our waste and **eliminating cross contamination.**

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## RECYCLABLE ITEMS

**NOTE:** Empty and rinse food and beverage containers prior to recycling to avoid cross contamination.

Paper Products*	Glass, Cans & Plastics*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brown/Window envelopes</li> <li>• Cardstock</li> <li>• Cardboard (flattened)</li> <li>• Computer paper</li> <li>• Copy/multi-purpose paper</li> <li>• Carbonless paper</li> <li>• Magazines/Flyers/Newspapers</li> <li>• File folders</li> </ul> <p><b>*NOTE:</b> Soiled or stained paper food containers are not recyclable and must be disposed of in the garbage</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aluminum cans</li> <li>• Empty plastic take-out containers</li> <li>• Glass containers, bottles and jars</li> <li>• Paper coffee cups, lids and sleeves</li> <li>• Plastic bottles</li> </ul>
Organics	E-Waste*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coffee grinds, filters and tea bags</li> <li>Compostable food packaging</li> <li>• Dairy products</li> <li>• Fruit/vegetable peelings</li> <li>• Meat, fish &amp; eggs incl. bones/shells</li> <li>• Paper towels and tissues</li> <li>• Rice, pasta</li> <li>• Spoiled foods</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A/V equipment</li> <li>• Battery backup units</li> <li>• Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs)</li> <li>• Cell phones</li> <li>• Closed circuit displays</li> <li>• Computers and CPUs</li> <li>• Cords, cables and hard drives</li> <li>• Dry cell batteries</li> <li>• External storage devices</li> <li>• Label and card printers</li> <li>• Laptops and docking stations</li> <li>• Mice and keyboards</li> <li>• Monitors</li> <li>• Photocopiers and fax machines</li> <li>• Printers</li> <li>• Routers and modems</li> <li>• Servers and network equipment</li> <li>• TVs, VCRs and DVD players</li> </ul> <p><b>*NOTE:</b> Handling fees may apply.</p>
Specialty Recycling*	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Batteries</li> <li>• Pens</li> <li>• Light bulbs</li> <li>• Wood skids &amp; Furniture</li> <li>• Cooking grease</li> </ul>	

**\*\*NOTE:** Specialty and E-Waste items are not to be mixed with other recyclable materials. For information on how and where to dispose of these items properly, refer to Simcoe Place's Tenant Manual or contact [cfconnect@cadillacfairview.com](mailto:cfconnect@cadillacfairview.com).

# RESOURCES

## ONTARIO LEGISLATION

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/waste-management>

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/guide-source-separation-recyclable-materials-industrial-commercial-and-institutional>

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/food-and-organic-waste-framework>

## TORONTO WASTE WIZARD

<https://www.toronto.ca/services-payments/recycling-organics-garbage/waste-wizard/>

**NOTE:** The above information reflects city and provincial waste guidelines. Property capabilities may differ. Please refer to Simcoe Place's Tenant Manual for property-specific guidelines.

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# ADDITIONAL READING

## CBC – RETHINK RECYCLING

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/topic/Tag/Rethink%20Recycling>

## WASTE MANAGEMENT IN CANADA

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-reducing-waste.html>

