

## MANDATORY RECYCLING

Recycling is mandatory in the State of Wisconsin and statutes have established responsibilities for local governments relating to recycling. The Town of Wilson is required to maintain an effective recycling program for solid waste management, which includes educating its residents about the recycling law. On-going education that reminds residents about local recycling programs is essential for maintaining high recycling rates in our community.

**SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING:** Single stream recycling simply means that you can now place all of your recyclable items in a **BLUE** bag. Everything goes into a blue bag: #1 to #7 plastics, aluminum, glass, newspaper, chip board, magazines, catalogs, shredded paper, etc. This is a convenience option, it is not mandatory. There will be one recyclable item that will not be placed in a blue bag and that is **CARDBOARD**. It's been recommended to separate cardboard for placement into its own dumpster. The Town shall restrict recyclable items from being placed in our garbage containers. This is consistent with **ORDINANCE 65.02**. Please visit our website to view the entire ordinance (<http://townwilson.com/>)

**RECYCLING IS A WISCONSIN STATE LAW**, we will not accept garbage bags that contain recyclables inside. Town residents that have not separated their recyclables will be directed to return home and resort your items if your clear bag contains recyclable items. There is no landfill disposal costs attributed to recyclables so this will help to reduce the cost for all of us in disposal fees. The town of Wilson requires residents to place recyclables into a **BLUE BAG** and garbage items into a **CLEAR BAG, NO EXCEPTIONS**. Recycling Center Staff must be able to clearly see through your bag to insure proper disposal of solid waste. This is Wisconsin State Law and simply the right thing to do for our environment.

## What is Recyclable?

### ACCEPTABLE CONTAINER PRODUCTS

Aluminum Cans, Trays, and Foil

Steel & Tin Cans (Food Cans ONLY)

Glass Jars - Clear, Green, and Brown

#1 Plastic – Soda and Water Beverage Bottles, Peanut Butter Jars - PETE

#2 Plastic – Milk & Juice Jugs, Detergent Bottles, Yogurt Cups - HDPE

#3 Plastic – **NARROW NECK CONTAINER ONLY**. Water Bottles, Liquid Detergent, Household Cleaners.

#4 Plastic – Margarine Tubs, frozen dessert cups, 6 pk, 12 pk rings, food storage containers – LDPE

#5 Plastic – Yogurt Cups, narrow neck syrup and ketchup bottles – PP

#7 Plastic – Plastic Narrow Neck Containers ONLY



Ceramics

Light Bulbs

Drinking Glasses

No Caps or Lids

### Unacceptable Container Products (place in trash)

Plastic Toys

Window or Auto Glass

Plastic Bags, Aluminum Foil

Flower Pots (without recycle logo)



### ACCEPTABLE PAPER PRODUCTS

Newspapers including inserts

Cardboard

Brown Paper Bags

Shredded Paper

Magazines, Catalogs, Phonebooks

Office, Computer, Notebook

Chipboard (cereal, cake and food mix boxes, any plastic liners removed)

Carrier Stock (Soda & Beer Carrying Cases)

Junk Mail & Envelopes (including window envelopes)

Paperback Books (hard cover with front and backs removed)



### Unacceptable Container Products (place in trash)

Styrofoam

Tissue Products/Paper Toweling

Dairy Carton Boxes

Contaminated Frozen Food Boxes

Pizza Boxes or Carryout Wrappers

Contaminated Paper

Holiday Wrapping Paper