

# Single Stream

## Recycling made simple

Facilities recently launched a Single Stream Recycling Program on campus. In single stream, the collection and processing systems are designed to handle a mixture of paper, plastics and cans together. The program is going very well and will be expanded soon to even more buildings. For a list of participating buildings go to: [mit.edu/facilities/environmental/SS\\_Buildings.pdf](http://mit.edu/facilities/environmental/SS_Buildings.pdf).

### What to include:

- » Newspapers, magazines, catalogs
- » Telephone/Soft cover books
- » Junk mail/Envelopes (all types)
- » Paper (all colors, staples/paperclips are okay)
- » Paperboard (cereal/shoe boxes)
- » Milk/Juice cartons
- » Cardboard/Brown paper bags
- » Plastic bottles and containers numbered #1-7
- » Soda/Juice/Water bottles (glass or plastic)
- » Milk jugs, Bleach/Detergent, Shampoo bottles
- » Food containers (cottage cheese/margarine/yogurt)
- » Glass bottles/Jars (any color)
- » Aluminum (pie plates/trays/foil)
- » Metal cans (tin/steel/aluminum)

### What NOT to include:

- » No plastic bags
- » No unmarked plastics (laundry baskets/chairs/toys)
- » No windows/Light bulbs
- » No dishes, No Pyrex, No ceramics
- » No foam packaging, No Styrofoam
- » No aerosol cans (paint/hairspray/cleaners)
- » No recyclables containing food waste

### What about food waste?

- » Don't include recyclables containing food waste  
Clean out food as much as possible from containers

### What about cardboard boxes?

Small pieces of cardboard can go in your desk-side bin, but flatten larger boxes and leave them with other recycling.



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[recycling@mit.edu](mailto:recycling@mit.edu)  
[web.mit.edu/facilities/](http://web.mit.edu/facilities/)

To order desk-side recycling bins,  
go to the Building Services tab in SAPweb:  
[web.mit.edu/sapweb/PS1/facilities\\_home.shtml](http://web.mit.edu/sapweb/PS1/facilities_home.shtml)

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