








# Plastic Recycling 101

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Symbol	Name of Plastic	% of all Plastics	Examples	Accepted in blue box?	
				YES	NO
	polyethylene terephthalate	20-30%	soft drink & water bottles	✓	
			cookie trays & frozen food trays clam shell containers	✓	
	high density polyethylene	50-60%	milk, juice, detergent & bleach jugs shampoo & conditioner bottles	✓	
			ice cream and margarine tubs oil bottles	✓	
	polyvinyl chloride	5-10%	vegetable oil, dish soap	✓	
			PVC piping, cling wrap		✗
	low density polyethylene	5-10%	mustard bottles, cosmetic bottles	✓	
			shopping bags, bread bags		✗
	polypropylene	5-10%	margarine tubs, deli tubs, yogurt tubs	✓	
			microwavable, disposable, and reusable containers; planters		✗
	polystyrene	5-10%	foam coffee cups, meat trays egg cartons, take-out food containers		✗
	other plastics	5-10%	ketchup and barbeque bottles	✓	
			electronic casing, CDs & DVDs		✗