

Schedule 'A'

List of Acceptable Materials

(per Bylaw 4281 – Curbside Collection of Refuse, Recycling, Food Waste & Yard Waste)

FOOD WASTE

- Food (*cooked or raw*)
 - Fruits and vegetables
 - Meat, fish, bones, seafood and shells,
 - Oil, fat, grease, butter, margarine
 - Eggs and eggshells
 - Dairy products
 - Pasta, rice, cereals, grains
 - Flour, sugar, salt, herbs & spices, other edible baking products
 - Condiments, sauces, dressings
 - Nuts, seeds, shells, pits
 - Baked goods
 - Any edible food product not listed above (*EXCLUDING vitamins, supplements and medications -contact your local pharmacy for proper disposal of these*)
- Beverages
 - Tea bags and loose tea
 - Coffee grounds and paper filters
 - Drink mix powder
- Paper
 - Non-recyclable paper products (*clean or soiled*)
 - Wax paper, parchment paper, butcher paper (*ONLY if these are certified compostable papers, otherwise they may be treated with chemicals or waxes that are not natural substances or compostable – if not certified compostable, put in your garbage*)
 - Paper packets (*ex. empty sugar or salt packets*)
 - Paper towel, napkins, facial tissue
 - Paper drinking straws
 - Food or dirt-soiled paper or cardboard
 - Examples: pizza box, paper/cardboard take-out food containers and bags
 - Shredded paper
 - Accepted in small quantities but must be contained in a paper bag, cardboard box (*cereal box, cracker box etc.*) or certified compostable plastic bag
 - Large quantities can be put in your recycling, in a clear plastic bag
- Other
 - Wooden toothpicks, chopsticks and Popsicle sticks
 - Wooden cutlery
 - Certified compostable plastics (*ex. compostable food waste bags*)
 - Certifications are either BPI (Biodegradable Products Institute) or BNQ (Bureau de Normalisation du Quebec)
 - Other items made from 100% natural-material, such as: “Potatoware”, “Bambooware” or “Branware”
 - House plants and flowers, including bouquets
 - Remove any plastic wrap and non-compostable items
 - Plastic plant pots, saucers and trays can go in your recycling if rinsed

RECYCLABLES

- Printed papers (*unsoiled – put soiled paper in your food waste*)
 - Newspapers, magazines
 - Catalogues, flyers and pamphlets
 - Phone books
 - Residential and miscellaneous printed paper
 - Note pads, loose leaf paper
 - Printer and copier paper
 - Plain and window envelopes
 - Shredded paper – can be contained in a clear plastic bag (*only item accepted in bags*)
- Paper party décor (*ONLY paper or cardboard - NO plastics, costumes or balloons*)
 - Streamers, signs, posters and name cards
 - Honeycomb-type paper decorations
 - Party hats and masks (*remove strings and put in garbage*)
 - Piñatas (*contents and non-paper components removed*)
 - Paper gift wrap (*no foil or plastic/Mylar gift wrap*)
 - Gift boxes and bags (*remove any non-paper components such as handles*)
 - Paper ribbons and bows (*must only be paper*)
 - Table cloths
 - If food-soiled, rip into pieces and put in food waste
 - If any type of plastic covering or lining, put it in the garbage
 - If 100% plastic, it can be taken to a Recycle BC Depot (*flexible plastics bin*)
- Corrugated Cardboard (*pizza boxes with food residue should be put in your food waste*)
- Other Paper Packaging
 - Boxboard (*ex. cereal, cracker and shoe boxes*)
 - Paper cups (*please rinse*)
 - Paper plates and bowls (*these must be CLEAN, otherwise put them in your food waste*)
 - Milk and juice cartons (*rinsed, lids or caps removed – put in recycling bin separately*)*
 - Aseptic (“Tetra-Pak”) containers (*rinsed, lids or caps removed- put in recycling bin separately*)*
 - Moulded pulp products (*ex. egg cartons and coffee take out trays*)
 - Kraft and multi-layer paper bags (*ex. paper grocery, sugar and flour bags*)
 - Frozen dessert boxes (*please rinse*)
 - Compressed paper or cardboard hangers (*may come with purchased clothing*)
- Plastic Packaging (*rinse and remove lids, caps and spray pumps– put in recycling bin separately*)
 - Plastic bottles & jars*
 - Tubs and lids
 - Trays and tops
 - Clamshells
 - Pails
 - Cold drink cups
 - Plastic cup lids
 - Planter and flower pots, saucers and trays
 - Plastic food storage containers (*ex. Glad or Ziploc containers*)
 - Plastic hangers that came with purchased clothing (*not durable plastic hangers*)

RECYCLABLES CONTINUED

- Metal Packaging (*rinse and remove lids, caps and spray pumps– put in recycling bin separately*)
 - Steel and aluminum cans*
 - Aerosol cans (*empty*)
 - The exception is empty *paint cans* which need to be returned to a paint drop-off location (visit: www.productcare.org/province/british-columbia for locations and information)
 - Spiral wound cans
 - Examples: Coffee, frozen juice and potato chip containers
 - Aluminum containers and foil wrap
 - Foil wrap should be rinsed and made into a ball
 - Foil-lined paper or cardboard containers are NOT accepted – put these in the garbage

* These items include beverage containers that have a refundable deposit. They will be accepted in curbside recycling if you are unable to return them for refund to a Return-it Depot for refund.

YARD WASTE

- Grass and sod
- Lawn and hedge clippings
- Plants and flowers (both garden and house, including flower bouquets)
- Weeds (non-invasive)
- Leaves
- Vegetable stalks
- Shrubs
- Shrub and tree branches no larger than 2.5 cm (1 inch) in diameter and 91 cm (3 feet) in length
- Pumpkins (*if used for Halloween, ensure candles and other décor are removed first*)
- Yard Waste does not include:
 - Invasive species plants set out in the Schedule to the Spheres of Concurrent Jurisdiction – Environment and Wildlife Regulation, B.C. Reg. 144/2004;
 - Plants grown in media that may have been identified by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency from time-to-time as infectious and of which notice has been sent to the Regional District or publicized by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency; or
 - Plant and tree material from municipal street sweepings.

REFUSE

Any material, substance or object not contained within the categories of Food Waste, Recycling or Yard Waste above may be considered as Refuse. Refer to Bylaw 4281, Schedule 'B' – Solid Waste Not Eligible for Refuse Disposal for items NOT accepted in the City's curbside collection program.

Please contact the City of Salmon Arm at 250-803-4000 or email info@salmonarm.ca for further assistance.

The City also utilizes the Recycle Coach app, which provides detailed “what-goes-where” information for any type of material or item, along with other useful functionality related to the curbside collection program and disposal of waste or other unwanted items. This app can be downloaded to your mobile device or can be used on our website at www.salmonarm.ca/curbside .