ACCEPTED RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

ACCEPTABLE PAPER PRODUCTS

Newspaper & advertisements	Office paper (white and colored)	Catalogs
Magazines	Phonebooks	Cereal boxes
Shoe boxes	Corrugated cardboard	Shredded paper
Paperback books	Tissue boxes	Mail
Paper egg cartons	Snack boxes	Toilet paper rolls
Paper towel rolls	Pop and beer cartons	Frozen food boxes
Tissue paper	Wrapping paper tubes	Greeting cards
Kraft paper bags	Paper gift/shopping bags	Boxboard (e.g. pop boxes)
Gable Top Containers (Orange Juice or Milk Carton)	Nut or chip canister (e.g. Pringles)	

ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

Plastics #1-#7 such as those from:

Cleaners	Food containers	Bleach
Milk	Cooking oils	Pill bottles
Cosmetics & lotions	Shampoo & conditioner	Soft drinks
Detergents	Flower pots	Water or juice
Metal		
Aluminum cans	Aluminum pie plates	Aluminum foil
Tin food/beverage cans	Coffee cans	

GLASS

Beer bottles	Juice containers	Food containers
Pop bottles	Wine and liquor bottles	

NOT ACCEPTED	WHY?
Styrofoam	Styrofoam is not accepted in residential recycling programs because of transportation and processing issues. Businesses who produce a large amount of Styrofoam on-site can purchase a special machine for condensing Styrofoam before transporting it for recycling.
Plastic grocery bags	These can be recycled, but through a separate process. Recycle them at area stores.
Items with food residue or grease stains Gift wrap	These items contaminate the recycling process.
Large quantities (dozen or more) of bound books and text books	Scott Area Recycling Center does not have the equipment to recycle high quantities of bound books, but can provide assistance. Call (563) 386-9575 for details. Midland Davis Recycling in Moline accepts bound books. Call (309) 764-6723 for more information.
Mirror/window glass, crystal, drinking glass, ceramics, ovenware, light bulbs	The combination of ingredients used to make these products is different from what goes into container glass. This type of glass can pose a threat to workers & equipment at the recycling center.
Aerosol cans	Aerosol cans (empty or otherwise) are accepted through the Commission's Hazardous Material program.
Gas cans	Metal gas cans can be recycled, but must be taken to the Scott Area Landfill.
Metal building materials or scraps	This type of metal can be recycled at the Scott Area Landfill or through a local metal recycler.
Broken glass	Broken glass should be placed into your trash for safety, and also because the pieces are too small to be treated as glass by the recycling sorting equipment.