

# Recycling

## It's Your Turn...

To join hundreds of communities in North Carolina and thousands of communities nationwide who sort their recyclables. Effective Oct. 1, 2009 we have a Statewide Landfill Ban on Plastic Containers. To be in compliance with this ban, the Town of Smithfield sanitation customers will no longer be able to dispose of plastic containers with their household waste. The new landfill ban refers to “plastic containers” that has a neck smaller than the base, “excluding plastic motor oil containers”.

## To Recycle...

The Town of Smithfield is offering several options for the disposal of these items. The citizens may utilize either of the following options:

- Plastic items can be bagged separate with lids removed and placed at the curbside on your scheduled collection day. If residents wish to use their own container to separate plastic items a town decal that reads “Plastics only” must be placed on each container. These decals can be requested through the Public Works office by calling 919-989-6570 at no charge.
- Residents can bring items to our convenience site located at 231 Hospital Road. Operating hours are Wednesday, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm. For your added convenience, the site will be open on Saturdays from 8:00am – 12:00 pm.
- Residents may utilize the county convenience sites free of charge with no decal required to dispose of their recyclables. Nearest site location is off North Bright Leaf Blvd beside Chick-Fil-A at 22 Shelter Way.

## How to Recycle

- **Glass**—All clear, brown, and green glass food or beverage containers. Remove lids and rinse clean. Not necessary to remove labels
- **Newspapers**—Newspaper print only. Remove all bags and strings. Do not tie, place loosely in recycling truck bin at 231 Hospital Rd.
- **Aluminum**—Beverage cans only. Rinse clean.
- **Magazines**—Remove all bags and strings.
- **Cardboard**—Cardboard and phone books. Remove packing material and flatten boxes.
- **Fluorescent Light Bulbs**—Fluorescent light bulbs can be recycled at the convenience site. See attendant for assistance.
- **Paint**—Will be accepted if it has been solidified. Adding an absorbent such as cat litter or sand to the paint and allowing it to dry and harden can accomplish this.

**\*\* The following items are prohibited from the landfill and must be separated from you regular garbage.**

- **Plastic Bottles/Containers** - Remove lids and rinse clean
- **Oil filters** - Separate from garbage and bring to the convenience site for disposal

**If you have any questions or would like more information contact the Town of Smithfield Sanitation Department at (919) 989-6570.**