



WHICH WASTE GOES WHERE?



	RECYCLING	COMPOST	TRASH	SPECIAL DISPOSAL
WHAT	Paper – cups and containers, flattened cardboard, milk/juice/soup cartons, newspaper and magazines, books and phone books, junk mail and office paper Plastic – cups and containers, bottles and lids, bulky items (rigid plastics #1,2,4,5,6) Metal – steel and aluminum bottles/cans/containers; aerosol containers; foil and pie pans Glass – bottles and jars	Paper – Greasy cardboard and paper, pizza boxes, napkins, paper towels All food scraps except liquids – fruits, vegetables, meat, fish, bones, dairy, bread, eggshells, and more Yard materials – leaves, pine needles, sawdust (must fit in bin) Organic materials – plant & flower cuttings, coffee grounds & filters, corks, toothpicks, wool, and more Certified compostable or biodegradable ware, bags – check compostcrew.com first	Sanitary or Personal Products – used tissues, diapers, wet wipes, extinguished cigarette butts, cat litter Plastic – straws, Styrofoam, pouches, plastic utensils, items smaller than 2" by 2" (portion cups) Alkaline batteries Liquids – cooking oil, grease, yogurt Ceramics – plates, dishware	Plastic bags – accepted at Giant Food and Target Clothing / Textiles – accepted at H&M Medicines – accepted by some pharmacies (check CVS & Walgreens) Paints – accepted by stores in DC's PaintCare Program Hazardous waste – electronics, most batteries, CFL bulbs – electronics accepted at Best Buy; batteries & lightbulbs accepted at Ace; check Benning Road Transfer Station for all other hazardous waste
HOW	✓ All items must be clean, dry, and empty ✓ Do not bag recyclables – place them loose in the blue recycling bin (in your building's trash room) ✓ Learn more: zerowaste.dc.gov/page/recycle-businesses	✓ Learn more: compostcrew.com ✓ Compost drop-off locations: Langley Court, Lot A, Lot E (see map) 	✓ Learn more: zerowaste.dc.gov	✓ Learn more: zerowaste.dc.gov/page/special-waste-residents ✓ Visit plasticfilmrecycling.org for more plastic drop-off locations ✓ For paint disposal, see www.paintcare.org ✓ See the list of other local recycling and reuse opportunities on BuildingLink.