



# DO YOUR PART

Be Cart Smart During COVID-19!

The N.C. Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service (DEACS) has developed *Do your Part* to educate the public on the importance of proper disposal. The social media posts below coordinate with the *Recycle Right NC* information campaign materials designed for use by local recycling programs and private recycling collectors.

Together, we can recycle more and recycle better. #RecycleRightNC

IMAGE	TEXT FOR FACEBOOK AND TWITTER CAPTION	DO YOUR PART Be Cart Smart!  <b>NO Plastic Packaging</b> in the recycling cart! Buying a lot of toilet paper? The plastic wrap is recyclable with your plastic bags at the grocery store — but not in your curbside recycling.	Score a bunch of toilet paper? Recycle the plastic wrapper at the grocery store with your plastic bags — not with your curbside recycling!
 <b>NO Paper towels or tissues</b> in the recycling cart! Put them in the trash.	<p>Coronavirus have you cleaning? Those paper towels (and tissues) are too thin to recycle. Plus, they are dirty. Put them in the trash.</p>	 <b>NO Plastic Packaging</b> in the recycling cart! Bubble wrap, gloves and puffy mailers are recyclable with your plastic bags at the grocery store — but not in your curbside recycling.	<p>Ordering a lot online? The plastic packaging can be recycled at your grocery store with your plastic bags — not with your curbside recycling!</p>
 <b>NO Single-use masks</b> in the recycling cart! Put them in the trash.	<p>Masks aren't recyclable. They also don't belong in the parking lot or on the side of the road. Put them in the trash.</p>	 <b>YES Paper rolls</b> do belong in the recycling cart!	<p>Your paper towel and toilet paper rolls CAN be recycled!</p>
 <b>NO Single-use gloves</b> in the recycling cart! Put them in the trash.	<p>Gloves don't belong in the parking lot or on the side of the road. They aren't recyclable either. Put them in the trash.</p>	 <b>YES Cardboard boxes</b> do belong in the recycling cart! Make sure to flatten them first.	<p>Ordering a lot online? The recycling industry NEEDS those boxes! Flatten them and put them with your curbside recycling.</p>

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**NO Disinfectant wipes**  
in the recycling cart! Put them in the trash.

Cleaning is important to prevent the spread of #COVID19, but those disinfectant wipes aren't made of paper, so put them in the trash.

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**NO To-go containers!**  
Ordering more take-out? Those to-go cups, containers and utensils all belong in the trash. They never belong in the recycling.

Remember: most single-use to-go containers are trash. If it isn't a plastic bottle, tub, jug or jar, DO NOT recycle it.

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**YES** Recycling and waste workers are essential employees. Help collectors stay safe by wiping down your cart — and leave a note to let them know care!

Recycling is essential, and so are our drivers and sorters. Wipe your cart down and leave a thank you note. You'll keep them safe and make their day!



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