

NYC Recycles

Mixed Paper



Cardboard



Metal



Rigid Plastic



Glass bottles & jars



Cartons



Save for reference — or recycle it!
Printed on recycled paper, of course.

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Improve recycling
in your building.



ABRI NYC

Apartment Building Recycling Initiative

Look inside for steps
you can take to
keep recyclables from
going in the trash.

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Building Recycling Tips

Successful recycling starts with clean and clearly labeled recycling areas.

- ✓ **Locate main recycling area in the same place where trash is discarded.** If this isn't possible, post a sign above trash bins directing residents to the recycling area.
- ✓ **Order free decals and signs.** Visit nyc.gov/recycle.
- ✓ **Label all recycling bins.** Use green decals for mixed paper; blue decals for metal, glass, plastic & cartons.



- ✓ **Post signs above the recycling bins.** Replace signs when worn or ripped.
- ✓ **Line recycling bins with CLEAR plastic bags** (don't use blue bags). Only use black bags for trash.
- ✓ **Place additional recycling bins everywhere that recyclables might be discarded** such as mailboxes, laundry rooms, common areas, etc.

Provide building staff and residents with current recycling information.

- ✓ **Review recycling procedures with building staff.** Discuss what is working and what can be improved.
- ✓ **Provide recycling information to new residents** and with every lease renewal.
- ✓ **Regularly post recycling tips on notice boards.** When you see incorrect recycling practices, send out reminders.

How the Department of Sanitation Can Help

The NYC Department of Sanitation's **Apartment Building Recycling Initiative (ABRI)** helps improve recycling in residential buildings. Better recycling reduces waste while saving maintenance time and money.

Buildings enrolled in ABRI receive **free**:

- **Recycling trainings** to teach building managers, staff, and residents how to recycle properly.
- **Customized materials** to explain your building's unique recycling procedures.
- **Continued support from recycling experts** who can visit your building and provide personalized recommendations.

How To Enroll

Anyone (over 18 years old) who lives in, works in, or manages a residential building with ten or more units can participate in ABRI.

Go to nyc.gov/abri to enroll your building.

Recycle More!

The NYC Department of Sanitation offers additional recycling services for residential apartment buildings.

Clothing & textiles: re-fashionNYC (nyc.gov/refashion) provides eligible buildings with free bins and pickup service for reuse and recycling. All proceeds from donations support the charitable mission of Housing Works.

Electronics: e-cycleNYC (nyc.gov/ecycle) provides eligible buildings with free pickup service for responsible recycling. *Starting in 2015 it will be illegal to discard electronics in the trash.*

Food & yard waste: NYC Organics Collection (nyc.gov/organics) provides eligible buildings curbside collection of food waste, food-soiled paper, and yard waste. This waste is recycled into compost, a natural soil amendment, or renewable energy.

