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### **New Bern Parks and Recreation Recycling Program**

In February, 2018, New Bern Parks and Recreation implemented a recycling program to assist in reducing waste generated within our park system. The City of New Bern follows participates in the Craven County Recycling Program. In the spring of 2019, Craven County updated the recycling program, due to the flat recycling market. Waste Industries is the authorized provider of Waste and Recycling removal in the City of New Bern.

Recycling occurs in the following locations within the New Bern Parks and Recreation System:

#### Offices

- Recycling bins are located in Parks and Recreation Administration, Aquatics Center office, Grounds Maintenance offices, and Recreation Center offices.

#### Parks

- Recycling bins are currently located in the following parks during: Fort Totten Park, Glenburnie Park, Lawson Creek Park, and Union Point Park. These parks have been identified for the recycling program because of the frequent use and high visibility of these locations.

#### Special Use Facilities

- Recycling bins are currently located in the following Special Use Facilities: New Bern Aquatic Center, Stanley White Recreation Center, and West New Bern Recreation Center. Bins are located adjacent to the vending/concessions area.

#### Special Events

- Recycling bins are distributed at various special events throughout the year. Special Events include the following: MumFest Concert, Footloose on the Neuse Summer Concert Series, Movies in the Park, Festival of Fun, Christmas Flotilla.

The following items qualify for recycling (In accordance with the Craven County Recycling program):

- Plastic (bottles, tubs, jugs, and jars); Metal (all kinds); Glass (bottles and jars); and Paper (paper, cartons, and cardboard).

The following items are not allowed:

- Aerosol cans, aluminum foil, batteries, ceramic items, clothing or textiles, diapers, disposable cups, electronics, food tainted items, hazardous waste, household glass, medical waste, plastic bags/wrap, scrap metal/wood, shredded paper, Styrofoam/peanuts, tangles, tires, and toys.

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### Recycling Collection

- Recycling items are collected by Waste Industries weekly at all Offices and Special use facilities. Parks and Recreation staff is responsible for collecting and general sorting of uncontaminated recycling items at parks and special events. These items are then taken to a Craven County Collection site for disposal.

### Building Materials Recycling

From time to time, New Bern Parks and Recreation has an opportunity to recycle building materials that would otherwise be taken to a landfill for disposal. Materials that qualify include:

- Concrete, bricks, block, steel, and wiring.

Agreements are made with qualifying recycling firms to accept these materials.

### Wood recycling

New Bern Parks and Recreation is responsible for pruning, cutting, and planting all trees in parks, public spaces, and right-of-ways. This debris is taken to the City of New Bern Solid Waste Division, where the material is ground up and is reused for mulch at City parks, public landscape areas.

### 2022 Recycling Efforts

The information shown below indicates the amount of recycling that took place within the Parks and Recreation Department during 2022. Traditional recycling materials were not weighed, and were accounted for in the number of bins that were collected by Waste Industries, as well as the number of bags of recycling that were sent to collection sites.

<b>Site/Event</b>	<b>Quantity Recycled (bins/bags/tons)</b>
Administration (Parks & Recreation)	47 (96 gallon bins)
Grounds Maintenance	51 (96 gallon bins)
New Bern Aquatic Center	12 (96 gallon bins)
Stanley White Recreation Center	-0- Facility Closed
West New Bern Recreation Center	17 (96 gallon bins)
City Parks	372 (50 gallon) bags
Mumfest Concert	18 (50 gallon) bags
Footloose on the Neuse Concert Series	20 (50 gallon) bags
Movies in the Park	8 (50 gallon) bags
Festival of Fun	3 (50 gallon) bags
Christmas Flotilla	2 (50 gallon) bag
Building Materials Recycling	n/a
Wood Recycling	n/a

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# DON'T TANGLE OR CONTAMINATE RECYCLE MORE FOR A GREENER STATE



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Bottles, tubs, jugs and jars



No pumps

Empty and rinse

## METAL

All cans



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## GLASS

Bottles and jars



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## PAPER

Paper, cartons and cardboard



Flatten cardboard

## KEEP THESE OUT!



- ✗ Aerosol cans
- ✗ Aluminum foil
- ✗ All batteries (car, lithium, etc.)
- ✗ Ceramic items
- ✗ Clothing or textiles
- ✗ Diapers
- ✗ Disposable cups (plastic and coffee)
- ✗ Electronics
- ✗ Food-tainted items
- Hazardous waste
- Household glass
- Medical waste
- Plastic bags/wrap\*
- Scrap metal/wood
- Shredded paper
- Styrofoam/peanuts
- Tanglers (cords, hoses, wires, etc.)
- Tires
- Toys



\* Take clean and dry plastic bags and wrap back to the grocery store.



**REUSE**  
**REDUCE**  
**RECYCLE**

Help keep New Bern clean and green.

## Ways to handle your trash

### 1. REUSE

Think twice before putting an item in the trash. Find another use for it, donate, or sell it.

### 2. REDUCE

Buy longer lasting products with minimal or no packaging to minimize the trash you generate.

### 3. RECYCLE

Sort your trash by type. Contact local recyclers to collect your recyclable trash.



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