



# A Guide to Recycling at SPPH

SPPH is dedicated to improving sustainability in our building, and in our level 2 and 3 lunch rooms we have a Recycle Centres. Please help SPPH become a ZERO WASTE building!

**Please familiarize yourself with the recycling receptacles in your first week. Receptacles are located in kitchens, hallways and near print rooms throughout the entire building**

## Materials that can be recycled:

**Refundable Containers:** pop cans, all beverage containers, plastic water bottles, etc. Please rinse and remove lids.

**Note:** Please don't put these refundables in the grey bins – those are taken by custodial. The items in the white bins are taken by SPPH to get the refund, which is used by the SPPH Sustainability Committee to purchase items for our "sustainable events collection" (plates, cutlery, mugs etc for use at events instead of plastic/Styrofoam)

## Receptacle:

**\*Please note that these receptacles can be found throughout the entire building. This section is to show you what some of them look like, but are not the only locations they can be found**

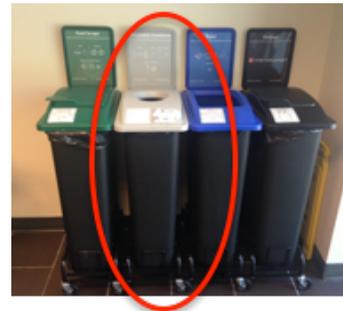


Refundable white cardboard bins (left); refundable bin drawer in Level 2

**Containers:** Recycle plastics 1, 2, 4 & 5, Metal cans, food containers, glass bottles and jars. Grey large bin is marked "CANS and BOTTLES", and on the tall skinny bin its marked "Recyclable Containers"

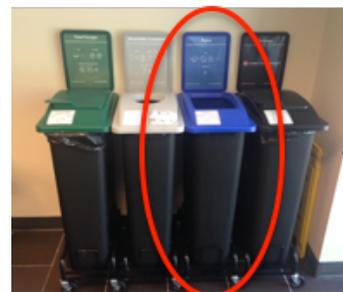
**Note:** MILK CARTONS go in this bin!

**Note:** As mentioned above, place refundable containers in those bins, and any other containers in these bins



L-R: Grey/black large wheeled bin in Level 2 lunch room; grey tall skinny bin in set of 4 new receptacles

**Paper:** Magazines, cardboard, phone books, writing paper, envelopes, pizza boxes (clean of food). NO waxed paper please



Paper Products Blue large wheeled bins; blue tall skinny bin in set of four

**Cereal Liners:** The waxed bags used in cereal boxes, and sometimes for cracker boxes can be recycled in this one receptacle in SPPH



Bin drawer in level 2 lunch room



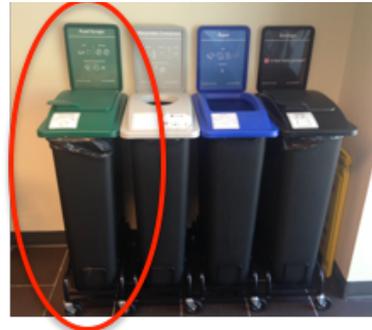
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**Compost/Organic waste:** Any food items, coffee grounds, tea leaves or bags, paper towels and paper coffee cups.

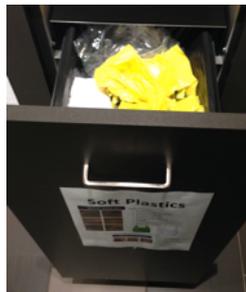
**Note:** Please check the signs above the bins for a list of what is NOT compostable. PLEASE close the lid to keep the fruit flies down.

## Receptacle:



Tall green compost bins can be found either individually (left) on level 1 kitchenette and level 2 lunch room; or in the set of 4 bins

**Soft Plastics:** Grocery bags, shrink wrap, bubble wrap, cellophane, ziplock bags



Soft plastics drawer bin level 2 (left)  
Soft Plastics bins level 3 (right)

**Styrofoam:** Clean Styrofoam #6, used in most packaging. Check for the number 6 on the styrofoam



Bin collection on level 3 lunch room (left);  
Drawer bin in Level 2 lunch-room

**Batteries:** all batteries including alkaline (e.g. AA, AAA, Lantern, 9V, etc.), Packaging: Non-rechargeable batteries go directly into RBRC box. Rechargeable batteries – place in plastic bags provided, then into RBRC box.



Cardboard battery recycling bin in the photocopy room

Since SPPH collects many unique recyclables not found elsewhere on campus or households in the city of Vancouver, you are more than welcome to bring your recycling from home to deposit in our receptacles