

# Springfield MRF Recycling Changes

## EFFECTIVE July 1, 2020



Clear plastic cups and clear plastic egg cartons will be acceptable

*Clear plastic cups will be acceptable* in container recycling. Printing on the clear cups is OK. Lids and straws must be removed and placed in the trash. Other plastic cups, such as Styrofoam™, colored "keg" cups, and opaque (cloudy) plastic cups are not acceptable for recycling, despite any recycling symbols. If a clear cup is labeled "compostable," it should not go in with recyclables (compostable cups can go in municipal or commercial compost programs). *Clear plastic egg cartons will be acceptable. Place clear plastic cups and clear plastic egg cartons in with container recycling.*

Shredded paper and aerosol cans will no longer be accepted

**On July 1<sup>st</sup>, shredded paper is no longer accepted.** Residents can bring confidential documents to area businesses (such as copy centers, office supply stores and Pack & Ship stores) for secure shredding. Many local banks sponsor free shredding events. The alternative to shredding through a business or event is disposal as trash or, if shreds are paper only and no plastic, in compost. **Aerosol cans** of all types, including those that contained food or personal care ingredients, must go in the trash or with bulky waste. Aerosol cans that still contain hazardous ingredients, such as spray paint, must go to a household hazardous waste collection.

Questions? Visit [springfieldmrf.org](http://springfieldmrf.org) or call the Springfield MRF recycling hotline: 413-755-2239.