

# Simply

*Recycling made simple*

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If you're ever standing at the recycling bin,  
confused about which bin to put something in,  
this resource is perfect for you.

Keep it simple by remembering the five material types that go in the recycling bin.  
There will always be tricky items, but if you get the basics right, you're giving your recycling  
a chance to be recovered and turned into something new. If in doubt, leave it out.

***So don't complicate it.***

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## ***What's inside***

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Things to leave out of your recycling bin

Handy recycling tips

What everyday items can't I recycle?

Keep food, liquids, soft plastic and textiles out of recycling



*Things to recycle  
every time*

Keep recycling **clean, dry and unbagged** to maximise recovery



Paper



Cardboard



Glass



Plastic



Tins



## *Things to leave out of your recycling bin*

**Contamination in your bin can ruin your recycling**



### **Textiles**

Repurpose or donate



### **Broken glass**

Bag in general waste bin



### **Leftover food**

Compost or organics bin, or general waste



### **Soft plastic**

Recycle at selected supermarkets



### **Liquids**

Remove all liquids from containers

# Handy recycling tips

Take your recycling to the next level with these simple tips



**Keep them loose**  
Don't bag your recyclables



**Keep contamination out**  
When in doubt,  
leave it out of your bin



**Keep them clean and dry**  
Empty and rinse containers  
before recycling



**Keep lids off**  
Remove lids and caps  
from containers



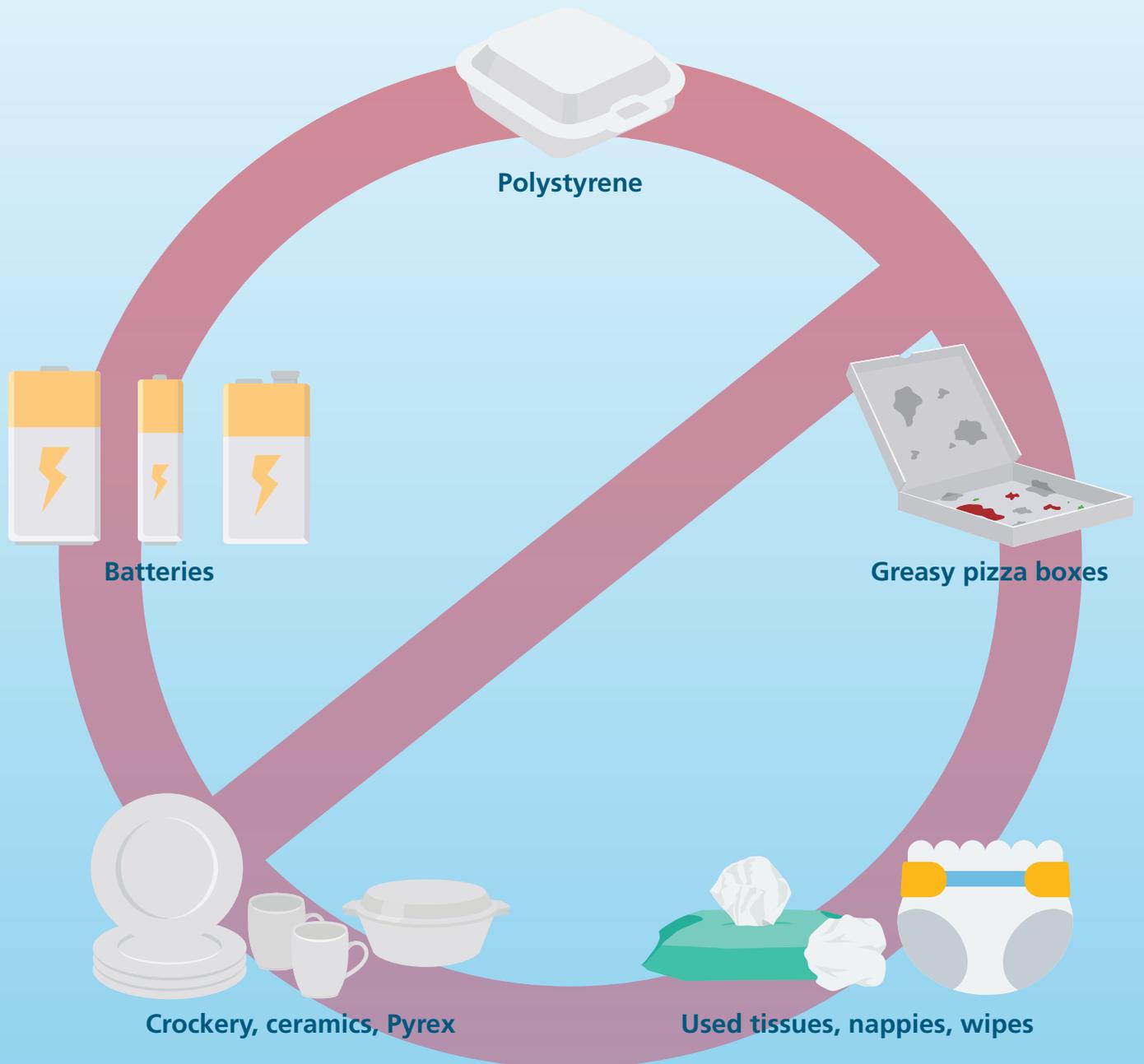
**Keep them sorted**  
Designate specific recycling  
collection spots for easy recycling



**Keep recyclables compact**  
Flatten cardboard to maximise space

## What everyday items can't I recycle?

*These everyday items simply don't belong in your recycling bin*



# Keep food, liquids, soft plastic and textiles out of recycling

## What is contamination?

Contamination happens when we put the wrong things in the recycling bin



Soft plastic



Textiles



Green waste



Food and liquids

## Why are food and liquids a problem?

Food and liquids contaminate other materials in the bin, making it unrecyclable



Recycle plastic bags at selected supermarkets



Donate old clothes in good condition to local charities



What should I do?



A quick tip and rinse to make sure containers are empty



Save food and liquids for the compost heap



Remove greasy half of pizza boxes before recycling

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