# **RECYCLING GUIDE**

## For the Curbside Recycle Bin

#### WRAPPING PAPER

Reuse wrapping paper or recycle in your curbside bin, or in the mixed paper bin at the City's Timberline Recycling Center. **Do not include metallic wrapping** 

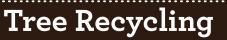
paper, ribbons, or bows.

#### **TISSUE PAPER**

Reuse tissue paper or recycle in your curbside bin, or in the mixed paper bin at the City's Timberline Recycling Center. **Do not include glitter, metallic items, any ribbons, or bows.** 



Recycle cardboard in your curbside bin, or at the City's Timberline Recycling Center. **Disposing of cardboard in the trash is illegal in Fort Collins.** 





Recycle trees from Dec. 26 through Jan. 20. Please remove all lights, string, wire, metal hooks, nails, ornaments, tinsel, fake snow, and bags before dropping off at these locations.

- **Edora Park**, 1420 E. Stuart St. (tennis court parking lot)
- Rolland Moore Park, 2201 S. Shields St. (southeast corner of parking lot)
- City Streets Facility, 625 Ninth St. (southwest corner of Vine and Lemay)
- Fossil Creek Park, 5821 S. Lemay Ave. (enter on Lemay Ave.)
- Larimer County Landfill, 5887 S. Taft Hill Rd.
- Wellington Recycling Drop-off, Town Garage (corner of 6th and Grant)

## **Recycle Elsewhere**

DO NOT PUT IN CURBSIDE BIN

#### BATTERIES



Drop off batteries to the Hard-to-Recycle Materials Yard at the City's Timberline Recycling Center or at Larimer County's Household Hazardous Waste Facility. **Dg not place in curbside recycle bin.** 

#### **HOLIDAY LIGHTS & EXTENSION CORDS**

Recycle strings of lights and extension cords at scrap metal recyclers. See *fcgov.com/a-z* for details.

#### PLASTIC BAGS

Recycle clean, dry, empty, plastic bags at grocery stores, specific retail stores, and at the City's Timberline Recycling Center. For complete details, see *fcgov.com/a-z*.

#### STYROFOAM & PACKING PEANUTS

Can be reused or thrown in the trash.

#### ELECTRONICS

Disposing of electronics in the trash or in your curbside recycle bin is illegal in Colorado due to the toxicity of their components. Find out where to safely dispose of household electronics at *fcgov.com/a-z*.

#### COOKING OIL

For a \$5 entry fee, you can drop off used cooking oil in a clear, sealed container at the City's Timberline Recycling Center Hard-to-Recycle Materials Yard. **Do not put fats, oils, and grease down the drain.** 

**Timberline Recycling Center** 1903 S. Timberline Rd. *fcgov.com/trc* 



Larimer County Household Hazardous Waste Facility 5887 S. Taft Hill Rd. <u>larimer.org/solidwaste/haz</u>





## TIPS FOR A GREENER SEASON

## WHAT'S SOLD EACH YEAR



4 MILLION TONS

BILLION

**Holiday Cards** 

Live Holiday Trees

Gift Wrap & Bags

## HOLIDAY EXCESS

From Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, household waste increases by more than 25%.

Added food waste, shopping bags, packaging, wrapping paper, bows and ribbons—it all adds up to an additional one million tons a week in the nation's garbage piles. *Source: Reduce.org* 



## **BE MINDFUL OF FOOD WASTE**

The holiday season means even more wasted food. Save money, water, and reduce your greenhouse gas emissions by wasting less. Practice smart shopping by planning your meals ahead of time, buying only what you need and eating what you buy. Send leftovers home with dinner guests, get creative with recipes that use leftovers, and compost your food scraps. Learn more food-saving tips at *fcgov.com/saveyourfood*.



## USE LEDS AND TIMERS FOR LIGHTS

Use LED lights and put lights on timers to turn on at dusk and off at bedtime. Leaving holiday lights on for 24 hours will quadruple energy costs and produce 4x more pollution than necessary!



### BE THOUGHTFUL WITH GIFT GIVING

Consider gifts with a smaller ecofootprint. Look for gifts with minimal or recyclable packaging, made from recycled materials or produced locally.



## BE CREATIVE WITH GIFT WRAPPING

Wrap gifts in style while saving money and paper! Reuse gift bags, or warp gifts in colorful fabric scraps, maps, comics, and posters.