

Be a rubbish monitor

Your child could keep a record of what they throw away each week.

Then ask them to see what could have been (a) put on the compost heap, (b) recycled (c) taken to a charity shop.

Recycling symbols



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Recyclable Aluminium



Recyclable Steel



Recyclable Glass



Packaging that is suitable for home composting



Biodegradable plastic packaging that can be put into council compost collections (but unsuitable for home composting unless stated)

Other symbols



Amount of recycled content contained in paper



This product contains x% of recycled material



Dispose of litter carefully

Plastic Identification Symbols



Polyethylene Terephthalate (some waterproof packaging)



High Density Polyethylene (Milk, detergent and oil bottles, toys and plastic bags)



PVC (Food wrap, vegetable oil bottles, bubble wrap)



Low Density Polyethylene (Many plastic bags, shrink wrap, garment bags)



Polypropylene (Refrigerated containers, some bags, most bottle tops, some carpets, some food wrap)



Polystyrene – Non recyclable (Throwaway utensils, meat packaging, protective packaging)



All other resins and materials (No recycling potential - must be landfilled)