

# Recycling

So, you would like to be a recycling super hero and save the world?

Unfortunately not all rubbish can be recycled, first you need to learn what the symbols on your packaging means, and then you can decide if it can be recycled or not.

This is why it is better, when you go shopping to buy things with as little packaging as possible, for example, to buy loose fruit instead of fruit in plastic packaging.



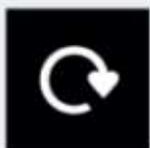
## Packaging symbols explained



The 'Mobius Loop' shows it can be recycled



Widely recycled by 75% or more of Local Authorities (LAs)



Not collected by all LAs so check locally



Indicates packaging is recycled by less than 20% of LAs



Product is made from recyclable aluminium



Recyclable glass. Remember to separate colours



The number indicates the resin code for the type of plastic used



Wood-based products from forests that are well managed



Producer contributes to a packaging recovery scheme



Reminder to be tidy and dispose of an item appropriately

# Plastic Recycling

Made Easy

The lower the number, the more recyclable.



PETE

## WIDELY RECYCLED

Clear, tough plastics.

• Drink bottles • Clothing • Carpet fibre • Rope • Medicine bottles



HDPE

## WIDELY RECYCLED

Common plastics.

• Milk containers • Shampoo bottles • Detergent bottles • Soap dispensers



PVC

## CAN BE RECYCLED - CHECK KERBSIDE COLLECTION

Hard, rigid plastics.

• Pipes • Shower curtains • Children's products • Raincoats



LDPE

## CAN BE RECYCLED - CHECK KERBSIDE COLLECTION

Soft, flexible plastics.

• Sandwich bags • Clingfilm • Plastic bags • Squeezy bottles • Frozen food packaging



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## RARELY RECYCLED - CHECK KERBSIDE COLLECTION

Flexible hard plastics.

• Plastic bottle caps • Butter tubs • Yoghurt pots • Straws



PS

## RARELY RECYCLED - CHECK KERBSIDE COLLECTION

Flexible soft plastics.

• Meat trays • Foam packaging • Disposable coffee cups • Plastic cutlery



OTHER

## RARELY RECYCLED - CHECK KERBSIDE COLLECTION

All other plastics, acrylics, and nylon.

• CDs and DVDs • Baby bottles • Sunglasses • Phone cases

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This might look complicated, but the lower the number, the more likely it is to be recycled.



# Your task



Before you throw out your plastic bottles, wrappers, boxes or anything else. Have a look to see if you can spot one of the recycling logos that are on the charts.

See how many you can find, if you can take photos for evidence, that's great!

Then don't forget to sort them into the correct recycling bins, bags or boxes.

