

# MRA Recyclable Materials

Please refer to this list of additional materials that count toward Howard County's recycling rate.

## **Aluminum Blinds**

## **Aluminum Foil and Food Tray Containers**

## **Back-End Scrap Metal**

**Bark:** Scrap bark from a manufacturing process must be composted or mulched or manufactured into a new product (e.g., charcoal) counts.

## **Batteries**

## **Books**

**Canes:** Wooden canes must be composted or mulched. Metal canes must be recycled. Refurbished and reused canes do NOT count.

**Cardboard:** Corrugated cardboard that is recycled counts; however, cardboard that is reused intact does NOT count.

**Carpet Remnants:** Carpet remnants returned to the manufacturer to be used in the manufacturing process count, but remnants given to other organizations for reuse do NOT count.

## **Catalogues**

**Christmas trees:** Christmas trees must be composted or mulched or used as sediment control devices (approved and documented by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources).

**Cloth:** Cloth material must be processed into rags, etc., not reused as clothing without processing.

**Corn Ensilage (silage):** Corn silage must be composted or sold to an animal feed producer.

**Crutches:** Wooden crutches must be composted or mulched. Metal crutches must be recycled. Refurbished and reused crutches do NOT count.

**Electronics and Computer Equipment:** Electronic equipment (such as cell phones, stereos, televisions) and computer equipment (such as CPUs, keyboards, monitors) must be recycled or donated for reuse.

**Farm Waste:** Please contact the county for a complete list of Farm waste that can count towards the recycling rate if recycled.

**Firewood:** Cords of firewood returned to the marketplace count.

**Foundry Waste:** Foundry waste used in asphalt counts.

**Front-End Scrap Metal:** Ferrous or non-ferrous materials pulled from the waste stream in a refuse disposal system

**Furniture:** Furniture must be processed into other materials. Furniture that is donated or sold for reuse does NOT count.

## **Glass**

**Grain Waste:** Grain waste must be composted or sold to an animal feed producer.

**Hatchery Waste:** Hatchery waste must be composted or processed into a protein supplement.

**Household Hazardous Waste:** Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is any waste material, including garbage or trash, derived from a household that would be listed as hazardous waste under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act but for the fact that the waste is derived from a household. Household hazardous waste may include:

- Agricultural chemicals;
- Cleaning agents and solvents;
- Paint;
- Pesticides; and
- Preservatives.

HHW that is recycled counts. Antifreeze and Oil do NOT count.

### **Landscaping Debris**

**Litho-plates:** Litho-plates used in x-ray machines count.

**Mattresses:** Mattresses must be processed and remanufactured.

### **Motor Oil Filters**

**Oxygen Tank Carts:** Metal oxygen tank carts must be recycled. Refurbished and reused carts do NOT count.

### **Paint**

**Pallets:** Wood pallets must be composted or refurbished.

**Renderings:** Fat that has been converted or melted down by heating counts.

### **Roofing Shingles**

**Sawdust:** Sawdust from an industrial process must be composted or mulched.

**Tires:** Recycled tires, retread tires, and tires burned in cement kilns (12% of the total weight of tires used in cement kilns) count. Tires burned for fuel do NOT count.

### **Toner Cartridges**

**Vegetable Waste:** Vegetable waste that is composted or sent to a farmer as a substitute for other feed counts.

**Walkers/ Wheelchairs:** Metal walkers and wheelchairs must be recycled. Refurbished and reused walkers/wheelchairs do NOT count.

**White Goods:** White goods include refrigerators, stoves, washing machines, dryers, water heaters, and air conditioners.

**Wood Shavings:** Wood shavings from an industrial process must be composted or mulched.