

Styrofoam (EPS)

WE ACCEPT:

CLEAN EPS, molded foam, and egg crate foam



WE DO NOT ACCEPT:

Packing peanuts and food containers including meat trays & coffee cups.

Packing peanuts may be taken to OSU Surplus Property. Call (541) 737-7347 for info.



Styrofoam recycling requires a fee

STYROFOAM FEES

Subject to change without notice.

\$1.75 per cubic foot

Styrofoam accepted from 10am-4pm

The Co-op needs your help keeping Styrofoam out of the landfill. Your payment will offset the high cost of providing this service. After collection, Styrofoam goes to St. Vincent DePaul in Eugene or Recology in Portland. It is then condensed and reused.

Styrofoam Recycling Instructions

- Before depositing your styrofoam, visit **Customer Service** inside the store.
- Pay the styrofoam recycling fee.
- Leave styrofoam at **Recycling Center** in a bag with the receipt attached.



For questions or comments, please contact Anthony (541) 753-3115 x322, or anthony@firstalt.coop

First Alternative Recycling Center



Located next to the South Store

Staffed: 10 a.m. - dusk

Open daily: dawn - dusk

Additional Recycling Resources:

Republic Recycling Depot
110 NE Walnut Blvd. • (541) 754-0444

Habitat for Humanity ReStore
4840 SW Philomath Blvd. • (541) 752-6637

Corvallis-Area ReUse Directory
Visit sustainablecorvallis.org and download the ReUse Directory to find a new home for your reusable stuff.



First Alternative
NATURAL FOODS CO-OP

North Store
29th & Grant
(541) 452-3115

South Store
1007 SE 3rd
(541) 753-3115

Open daily
7am-10pm

www.firstalt.coop



First Alternative NATURAL FOODS CO-OP Recycling Center and Services



Prevent waste & conserve resources

We accept many items that would otherwise end up in the trash. Together we can stop making more landfills, and start making something out of our waste.

Commingled

accepted in commingled bin



- **All paper products**, even milk cartons and aseptics (like soy milk and soup). CLEAN! Rinse, flatten and remove plastics. People handle this material after you throw it in the bin!
- **Metal:** aluminum and tin cans, foil, metal lids, and most empty aerosol cans; eg: WD40 and cooking spray cans.
- **Plastics:** Most containers that are flexible. Yogurt, milk, etc. No lids.
- NO chemicals, like paint. This is hazardous waste.*
- NO metal bottle caps or lids. These go in metal cart.

You can put pots and pans in commingled

Commingled collections make a stop in Albany before going to a municipal recycling facility in Gresham to be sorted.



Items not accepted

We do not accept the following items. However, there are other recycling sites in the community for most of them. A current list is available at the Recycling Center, at Customer Service, and also on our website at www.firstalt.coop.

- Car batteries
- Hazardous waste*
- Motor oil
- Light bulbs
- Paint waste
- Styrofoam peanuts
- Tires
- Yard debris
- Wood waste
- Furniture, TVs
- Boxes with wax coating (e.g. take-out boxes)
- E-waste (Electronics, computers, etc)

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Special Items

accepted in separate bins

GLASS

All colors of glass (commingled is fine). Remove lids, and if metal, place them in the metal cart.



FREEZER BOARD

Ice cream and freezer containers that touch food. Fish stick boxes or frozen juice cans. Remove metal, food and plastic.



CARDBOARD

Flatten cardboard and place in the large collection bins outside the fence, NOT in the commingled. NO waxed or glossy finish cardboards.



METALS

All metals are accepted, even if they some plastic on them (e.g. metal appliances, irons, bottle caps, clean car parts, etc.).

*For large appliance drop-offs, please make an appointment with Shelly, Scroppin' for Fun, 541-929-4835



No hard or soft plastics, other than commingled items, are being accepted at this time.



Compostable containers:

We currently cannot accept compostable containers. These are best placed in your home compost. Remember, the best option is always a reusable container!

*Republic Services holds hazardous waste collecting events quarterly. Call (541) 754-0444 for the next event.
Habitat for Humanity's ReStore can take unwanted paints. See reverse for address and phone number.

PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES

The Co-op has a Rapid Refill Ink station near customer service. They return your cartridge to the Co-op for you to pick up full of ink! You can also recycle your cartridge there, even if you don't want a refill.



MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Our North Store accepts the following items near the registers. At the South Store, find the battery and cork collection windows on the east wall of the recycling office, or deposit any of the following items in the collection box at Customer Service:

• EYEGLASSES

Collected by the Lions Club.



• BATTERIES

Leaking and corroded batteries are considered hazardous waste. No car batteries.



• WINE CORKS

Cork Forest salvages this precious resource for use in flooring tiles, building insulation, & packaging materials. See corkforest.org.



• CELL PHONES

Collected by Wireless Alliance, thewirelessalliance.com

