# Acceptable Materials for Recycling Collection GFL Environmental Inc. (Dated: May 2022)

What can I recycle?

When it comes to recycling, awareness is key. Contamination is the biggest issue impacting successful recycling practices today, when people throw in items they shouldn't, such as greasesoaked cardboard, plastic bags or paint cans. This is why it is important to know what you can recycle and what you can't.

Glass recycling

Bottles and jars - lids must be <u>REMOVED</u> and separated and the item must be <u>CLEANED</u> of all food and liquid waste before being placed inside the container.

Plastic recycling

(Check the bottom of the container. If you see the recycling symbol with a #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 in the center, it is acceptable.)

all CLEANED plastic bottles and jars #1 to #7:

- Soft drink bottles/Water Bottles
- Yogurt Containers
- Milk jugs
- Detergent bottles
- FLATTENED cartons
- Plastic Take out Containers

### <u>Metal recycling</u>

All items must be CLEAN OF FOOD and CONTAMINATES

- Aluminum cans
- •Pie and baking pans
- •Tin cans
- Metal beverage cans

#### Cardboard recycling

All boxes MUST BE FLATTENED for proper disposal.

- Corrugated cardboard, Shipping Boxes, Moving Boxes, Shoe boxes
- •Cereal and dry food boxes
- Tissue boxes, Paper towel / Toilet tissue rolls
- Detergent boxes
- Soda/beer cartons

#### Paper recycling

- Newspapers, Computer Paper, Notebook Paper
- •Inserts/Labels, Folders, Index Cards/Labels
- Magazines/Catalogs
- Paperback books
- Letterhead
- Envelopes (with or without windows)
- Coupon books
- Calendars
- •Brown paper bags.

## What can't I recycle?

- Styrofoam
- Window glass and mirrors
- Electronic waste (TVs and computers, Ipads, tablets etc.) ceramics or dishes
- Motor oil containers
- Yard waste
- Chemical containers

- Shredded paper
- Plastic bags
- food waste
- scrap metal
- monitors