

September 9, 2020

RE: Village/Township Recycling bins

Dear Residents:

Recently, the truck for ABC Recycling broke down and the company was unable to change out the recycling bins for an extended period of time. This highlighted the continuing problem that we have with people leaving items outside of the bins or the doors open. This creates extra expense and work for the Village. Please review the attached list for acceptable items and ways to prepare for recycling.

The recycling center under the water tower is a service provided by the Philo Village Board in conjunction with the Philo Township Board for Village and Township residents **ONLY**. These bins are for household recyclable materials ONLY. The bins are NOT for garbage or other items that your trash provider will not take from the curb. Although the bins may be labeled as “paper” or “plastic” we have been assured that you can mix these items in the bin as long as they are clean, dry and meet the acceptable items qualifications. Any items left outside of the bins are considered illegal dumping and could be subject to a fine. The recycling company does not pick up anything outside of the bins.

If bins are full, *please DO NOT leave items outside the bins or continue to shove into the bins so the doors do not close*. The doors must be closed when you leave. If the bins are full or the doors do not close, please take your items with you until the next delivery day. Bins are changed out each Monday, Wednesday and Friday with the exception of holidays at no particular time. We understand it is frustrating when you bring your items to recycle and have to take them back with you. In order to make more room in the bins, break down your boxes and other items that are collapsible. Keep items that are not allowed out of the bins and only use the bins for your immediate household.

Village personnel will be more vigilant with monitoring bins for illegal dumping. Please do your part to stop the illegal dumping by not leaving anything outside the bins and making sure the doors are closed.

We appreciate that so many in the village and township are committed to recycling and are happy to be able to provide the service.

Thank You!

Sincerely,

Village of Philo Board of Trustees

Acceptable Recyclable Items:

- Newspaper
 - Must be dry, or it is not acceptable
 - Advertisements and color inserts
- Cardboard
 - Please breakdown and flatten
 - Large amounts of cardboard should be tied or taped together
 - No milk or juice cartons
 - Paper grocery sacks are accepted
 - Cereal boxes are accepted -- the liner must be removed
 - Pizza boxes with grease are **not acceptable**
- Paper
 - Must be dry or it is not acceptable
 - Writing/Typing paper
 - Computer paper
 - Magazines, catalogues
 - Junk mail, including window envelopes
- Glass Bottles/Jars
 - Please rinse before recycling; labels can stay on
 - Discard lids
 - Brown, Clear and Green accepted
 - No ceramics, crystal or mirrors
- Tin Cans
 - Labels can stay on cans
 - Please rinse before recycling
- Aluminum cans
 - Crushing will help create more room in the bins
- Plastic
 - Plastics with #1 through #7 on the bottom of the containers are acceptable
 - Milk, laundry detergent, liquid soap, shampoo, bleach bottles and soda bottles should be rinsed out before recycling
 - Lids can be left on

NO STYROFOAM!

NO YARD WASTE!

For further information or educational assistance please call:

ABC Recycling at (217) 356 - 0909 or the Village office at (217) 684-2562.