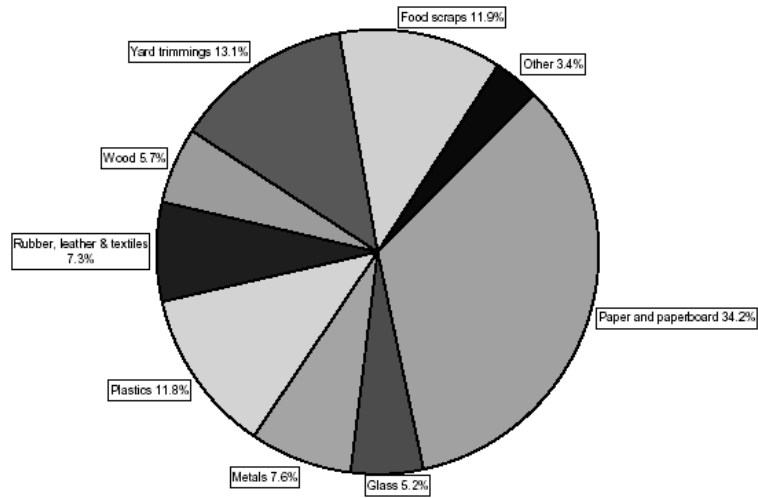


Recycling Facts and Tips

Garbage Pizza



How Long Does It Take?

“Decompose: To Break Down”

Paper.....	1 Month
Tin Can.....	100 Years
Aluminum Can.....	500 Years
Glass Bottle.....	500 Years or more
Plastic Milk Jugs.....	NEVER

Freddy’s on the Web!



www.springfieldmo.gov/recycling

The popular activity guide “It is Easy Being Green” presented by the City of Springfield Solid Waste Management Division is now available on the City’s Website.

Benefits of Recycling

- ♻️ Reduces your Trash
- ♻️ Saves Natural Resources
- ♻️ Extends the Life of our Landfill
- ♻️ Saves Energy
- ♻️ Reduces Pollution
- ♻️ Reduces Litter



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Plastic Recycling

Plastic Products have numbers in the recycling symbols that tell you what type of plastic the product is. The smaller the number, the easier it is to recycle. This means that it can be made into new products easier.

(The numbers are imprinted on the bottom of the plastic containers—look for the number inside the little recycling (triangle) logo.)

In Springfield, the City-operated Recycling Centers accept the full range of plastics, #1--#7, with these exceptions:

- **Disposable dishes** (plastic eating utensils such as knives, plates, straws, etc.)
- **Other plastic items, such as pipe, siding, plastic wrap, plastic bags, wading pools, etc.**
- ***Styrofoam, Plastic Bags** (consult the “Guide to Recycling in Springfield” brochure—there are several places that take these items)
- ****“Take-Out Containers”**—deli/fast food/salad bar plastic bowls, etc
If these are clean, they can go to the **Etc. Center** (see “Guide to Recycling in Springfield”)



PET

YES
Pop Bottles,
Juice Bottles,
Corn Oil
Bottles

NO



HDPE

YES
Milk Jugs,
Laundry
Detergent Bottles,
Hand Lotion
Bottles, Aspirin
Bottles

NO
*Plastic
Grocery
Bags



PVC

YES
Salad
Dressing
Bottles,
Vegetable
Oil Bottles

NO
Plastic
Food Wrap



LDPE

YES

NO
Bread
Bags, *Dry
Cleaning
Bags, six-
pack rings



PP

YES
Yogurt
Cartons,
Cottage
Cheese
Containers,
Butter Tubs

NO
Cereal Box
Liners,
**Deli
Containers,
Snack
Wraps



PS

YES

NO
**Plastic
Utensils,
**Foam
Cups,
**Foam Egg
Cartons



OTHER

YES
Squeezable
Condiment
Bottles,
Syrup and
Jelly
Bottles

NO



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