

# **ZERO-SORT<sup>®</sup>**

## **HOW RECYCLING GETS DONE**

TOSS ALL RECYCLABLES INTO ONE BIN  
CASELLA DOES THE REST



### **CARDBOARD**

Grey, Brown, White, Colored



### **PAPER**

Newspapers, Mail, Envelopes,  
Magazines, File Folders, Office Paper  
(Any Color), Used Coffee Cups,  
Take-Out Containers



### **PLASTIC**

All Containers including Bottles,  
Cups, Plates, Flatware



### **GLASS**

Bottles and Containers (Any Color)



### **METAL**

Aluminum, Tin, Steel Containers,  
Staples, Paper Clips

### **ZERO-SORT DOES NOT ACCEPT:**

Styrofoam, Plastic Bags,  
Food Waste

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RECYCLING  
a casella service

# How Recycling Gets Done™

Zero-Sort is the single bin recycling service that puts more of your stuff back into the world and less of it into the landfill.

**It never leaves our sight:** Our state-of-the-art sorting facilities are located throughout the Northeast. From pickup to final processing, we make sure your recyclables take the shortest possible route from the bin to the shelves.

**It's just one bin:** No sorting on your end makes it easier to recycle more stuff more often. You just focus on filling the bin – we take care of the rest.

**It's what we do:** To us, green is much more than an empty promise or marketing tactic. It's our livelihood. And it's why we gear everything we do toward real, measurable results.

## How the Zero-Sort Machine Works

1. Material enters the first screen that breaks and removes **glass** bottles and jars.

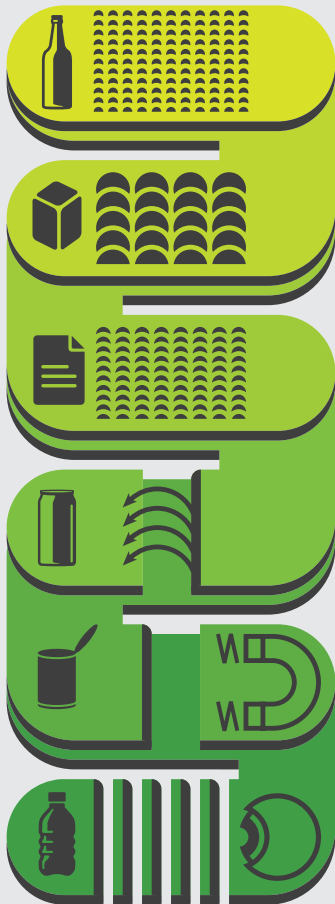
2. Rotating discs push **cardboard** over the top while smaller material falls below.

3. Smaller disc screens separate **paper**.

4. An eddy current creates a reverse magnetic field that repels **aluminum** cans.

5. A magnet picks out **tin** cans.

6. Optical sorting technology sorts **plastics** into their different types.



To see how Zero-Sort makes the most of your recycling efforts, visit us at [zerosort.com](http://zerosort.com)

# Zero-Sort® Recycling Guide

For the complete list and further instructions, visit [casella.com](http://casella.com)

**Corrugated Cardboard:** Boxes with a wavy center layer.

- ✓ **Empty.** Staples, tape, and labels are OK.
- ✗ **No** oil, paint, or chemical stained, wet unclean, or wax-coated cardboard. No strapping or string. No plastic, filmy or foam packing materials.

**Boxboard:** Cereal, shoe, and dry-food boxes, soda carries, paper egg cartons, tissue boxes, paper towel and toilet paper cores.

- ✓ **Empty.** Remove plastic liners.
- ✗ **No** Styrofoam cups. No stuck-on food or grease.

**Envelopes & Mail:** White, colored, gummed, and window envelopes.

- ✓ **Remove non-paper enclosers.** (e.g., CDs, plastic cards, etc.) and strings. Labels are OK.
- ✗ **No** Tyvek or plastic envelopes. No bubble wrap padded mailers.

**Magazines & Soft-Cover Books:**

Glue or staple-bound publications, paperback books, phone books, catalogs, etc.

- ✓ **Must be clean and dry.**
- ✗ **No** plastic wrapping, or CDs.

**Newspaper:** All sections and inserts.

- ✓ **Must be clean and dry.** Remove from plastic bags. Do not tie with string.
- ✗ **None** that are contaminated with food, paint, oil, pet waste, etc. No plastic bags.

**White & Colored Paper:** Copier paper, glossy flyers & brochures, file folders, craft paper, manila folders, index cards, construction paper, non-metallic wrapping paper, tissue paper & cards.

- ✓ **Must be clean and dry.** No need to remove plastic tabs, paper clips & metal hanging-file strips. Staples are also OK.
- ✗ **No** pressure-sensitive duplication forms. No foil paper. No paper towels or facial tissue. No stickers or sticker backing material.

**Shredded Paper:** Confidential Documents.

- ✓ **Place in clear plastic bags and tie bag shut.**
- ✗ **No** shredded plastic (cards, etc.)

**Plastics 1-7 & Rigid Plastics:**

Containers, bottles & jugs for foods, beverages, beauty, and cleaning products, detergents, dairy tubs (yogurt, sour cream, etc.) 5 gallon pails, laundry baskets, sleds, take-out containers, flower pots and trays, and frozen-food trays. Minimum size: 2" on any 2 sides.

- ✓ **Rinse clean.**
- ✗ **No** filmy or pliable plastic (grocery bags, bubble wrap, etc.). No foam polystyrene (Styrofoam) products such as cups, take-out containers, packaging blocks and peanuts, etc. No housewares, office products, etc. No motor oil containers or electronics housing. No biodegradable plastics (PLA).

**Glass Bottles & Jars:**

- ✓ **Rinse clean.** Food and beverage containers only.
- ✗ **No** light bulbs, Pyrex, drinking glasses, window panes, or ceramics.

**Aluminum Cans, foil, and plates:**

- ✓ **Rinse clean.**
- ✗ **No** stuck-on food or grease.

**Metal Cans:**

- ✓ **Rinse clean.** Food and beverage cans only. Labels are OK. Can lids are OK placed inside the cans.
- ✗ **No** oil filters or scrap metal.



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