

# CARTONS ARE NOW RECYCLABLE!

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CARTONS

- **What is a carton?**

Cartons are a type of packaging for food and beverage products you can purchase at the store. They are easy to recognize and are available in two types—shelf-stable and refrigerated. Examples are:

**Shelf-stable cartons – found on shelves in the grocery store**

Juice  
Milk  
Soy Milk  
Soup and broth  
Wine

**Refrigerated – founded in the chilled sections of grocery stores**

Milk  
Juice  
Cream  
Egg Substitutes

- **What are cartons made from?**

Cartons are mainly made from paper in the form of paperboard, as well as thin layers of polyethylene (plastic), and/or aluminum. Shelf-stable cartons contain on average 74% paper, 22% polyethylene, and 4% aluminum. Refrigerated cartons contain about 80% paper and 20% polyethylene.

- **How do I recycle cartons?**

Simply place the cartons in your container with comingled glass food jars/beverage bottles; aluminum beverage cans; steel food/beverage cans; plastic soda/milk/water bottles and other plastic coded 1 through 7. **DO NOT PLACE THEM WITH PAPER RECYCLABLES.** Caps and straws should be removed before recycling. Cartons should be rinsed to insure sanitary storage.

For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works at 973-326-7398 or visit [www.RecycleCartons.com](http://www.RecycleCartons.com).