



GreenTip
How Do You Measure Up?

Trash vs. Recycling – Do You Know the Law?

In Guilford County, almost everyone has access to **recycling** through curbside collection or drop-off. For the most part, **recycling** is a voluntary act. Whether you toss a soup can or pickle jar into the trash or into your **recycling bin** is up to you. However, did you know that there are specific items that are actually banned from the trash in North Carolina?

Items Currently Banned from the Trash:

- Large Appliances
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Tires
- Aluminum Cans
- Antifreeze
- Used Motor Oil

Upcoming Bans – Effective October 1, 2009:

- Plastic Bottles
- Wooden Pallets
- Used Motor Vehicle Oil Filters

Future Bans – Effective January 1, 2011:

- Computer Equipment
- Televisions

Guilford County residents have **recycling** options available for all of these materials. [Click here](#) to check the **Solid Waste Services Guide** for information about programs available in your community, or [e-mail](#) with specific questions.