

THE TROUBLE WITH RECYCLING

Often, our recycling doesn't end up being processed properly for several reasons.

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CONTAMINATION

Greasy pizza boxes, a bit of yogurt at the bottom of a container, or that last spoonful of peanut butter you couldn't quite scrape out of the jar can cause an entire batch of recycling to be sent to the landfill.



IMPROPER SORTING

Throwing items you aren't sure are recyclable into your recycling bin with the hopes that they are creates problems during processing.

If too much of a load is contaminated with non-recyclables, the entire shipment can be rejected by recycling facilities and be redirected to the landfill.

POORLY DESIGNED PRODUCTS AND PACKAGING

Products and packaging are often made from mixed materials which are not designed or manufactured in a way that is optimal for recycling.

An example of this is the pump from a soap dispenser which may be made from several types of plastic and along with metal springs. These mixed materials often cannot be separated and so end up in the landfill.

