

CITY OF TUCSON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

5 Things That Are a Blue Barrel No-No

Workers at our recycling facility ask for your help by not using your Blue Barrel as a trash can. When trash gets mixed in with recycling, it will contaminate the recycling – making it unusable. Here are the top 5 items that should never be put in your Blue Barrel:



1. **Plastic bags.** If you want to recycle plastic bags and film plastic, take them to a grocery store.
2. **Yard Waste.** Tree trimmings, tree branches, and garden hoses are trash. Consider composting green waste if you don't like throwing the green waste in your trash container
3. **E-waste.** There are many options for recycling e-waste – cables, wires, cell phones and computer parts.

4. **Construction debris.** Rocks, gravel, bricks, concrete, and tile don't belong in a Blue Barrel. They can damage machinery and might harm a person if spit out of the machinery.

5. **Dirty diapers, IV bags and hypodermic needles.** These items can cause serious injury to employees during a hand sort. Note: needles must be put in puncture proof container, sealed and labeled before placing in the trash.

Not sure what items are recyclable? Visit DoMoreBlue.com for more information.

PIMA COUNTY WASTEWATER RECLAMATION

The Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department has multiple short-term and long-term sewer rehabilitation projects in Pima County.

These projects often require open trenches and the presence of construction equipment and construction crews in area streets.



 For your safety and protection, please obey all traffic restrictions in these areas.



Your utilities services statement includes fees for your water, environmental services, and wastewater.

Environmental Services (ES) (520) 791-3171 or visit tucsonaz.gov/esd
Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (PCRWRD) (520) 724-6500 or visit www.pima.gov/wwm