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Recycling Committee Newsletter - September, 2022

Where you can recycle/repurpose items that do not go in your recycling bin:

- **Plastic bags or wrap** – There is a way to tell if a bag is eligible to be recycled. As with most recycling programs, there's a rule-of-thumb to remember: The bag needs to be clean and dry and you need to be able to stretch it, at least a little. Bread bags, produce bags, and Ziploc bags all stretch. Try doing this over your thumb. You may be able to return the bags to local stores that accept them (i.e. Shaw's or Walmart).
- **Hardcover books** – Donate to local charities. Please check with the Seekonk and Rehoboth Public Libraries, doctor's offices, and childcare centers. Savers will also accept book donations.
- **Light bulbs** – Bring CFL, LED, and fluorescent bulbs less than 4 ft. to DPW
- **Batteries** – Rechargeable, nickel/cadmium, and dry cell batteries can be brought to DPW
- **Textiles** – Bay State Textile donations bins are at DPW and all schools in Seekonk. Also, Kiducation bins are at Pella Windows and South Coast Collaborative.
- **Paper towels and napkins** – Can be used in compost bins as long as they haven't been contaminated with any substances that would not be organic. For example, you shouldn't throw in any paper napkins or paper towels that have been used for wiping chemical-based cleaning products.
- **Food waste** – visit <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home>
- **Electronics** – Best Buy will take most electronics
<https://www.bestbuy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat149900050025.c?id=pcmcat149900050025>
- **Packing peanuts** – Most UPS Stores will take packing peanuts.
- **Scrap metal** – Please contact Synergy Metals Recycling at (774) 229-2159, 1741 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk, MA <https://www.synergymetalsrecycling.com>
- **Eyeglasses** –DPW has a deposit bin inside the front door.

This is not an exhaustive list. More items will be added as information is available. If you have any questions, please call Seekonk Recycling Committee at 508-336-7407 or email William Kirchmann at wkirchmann@seekonk-ma.gov

The DPW regularly sponsors a Household Hazardous Waste Day for residents. Updates will be posted in the Seekonk Reporter and the Town's website www.seekonk-ma.gov.