



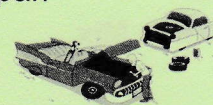
## 2020 Recycling Guide

2600 Latimer St., Missoula, MT 59808 (406)543-7280

Hours: 8-5 M-F, Closed Weekends, free consumer drop off area open 24/7

### IRON & STEEL

- Prepared Iron** Must be 1/8" or thicker and no larger than 3' x 18"  
No closed cylinders. Pipe > 6" must be split.
- Unprepared Iron** Must be 1/8" or thicker and any size. Fluids must be drained from heavy equipment. Weight deductions and disposal fees apply to any attached wood, tires etc...
- Cast Iron Engines** Free of non-cast attachments  
Oil drained, oil pan removed or large hole in pan
- Automobiles** We drain the fluids.  
Bring title if available. No extra or loose tires. NO TRASH!  
Tire deductions apply for trucks 1 ton and bigger



**Sheet Metal** Steel less than 1/8" thick. Includes fence wire and cable



**Appliances** We reclaim CFC's from freezers, refrigerators & air conditioners for a fee.



**Steel Cans**



Pacific offers roll-off container and on-site cleanup service for large quantities of scrap. Call for pricing information 543-7280



### NON-FERROUS METALS

- Aluminum Cans** Single-bagged, clean & dry. No foil, trash or other aluminum. Clean cat food cans are OK.
- Aluminum Scrap** Clean aluminum is free of contaminants i.e.: staples, screws, nails, caulk, tar, etc... Paint is OK
- Copper** Wire, tubing and insulated copper wire
- Brass**
- Radiators**
- Lead**
- Stainless Steel**
- Catalytic Converters**
- Car Batteries**





# Materials We Accept Conditionally

## Compressed Gas Cylinders and other Sealed Containers



Propane fuel, medical gas, industrial / welding gas. These containers are extremely hazardous in the scrap stream. We can accept them only if the valve is removed or they are otherwise visibly and obviously ventilated so that they are no longer capable of holding pressure. Acceptable ventilation for large cylinders is an opening 1 square foot per 500 gallons capacity; 1000 gallon and larger tanks must be ventilated at both ends.

**Warning: These tanks may be under high pressure. The contents may be explosive or extremely toxic. Tanks of unknown content should be disposed of professionally. Otherwise contents should be used up prior to valve removal. NO Acetylene tanks**

Other Sealed Containers Any container designed to hold pressure such as well pressure tanks, air compressors, aerosol cans, fire extinguishers, hydraulic accumulators and cylinders, kegs, shocks. These pose an explosion / fire hazard in the scrap stream. They are acceptable only if rendered obviously incapable of holding pressure. They will be purchased as a shred or unprepared grade unless cut to prepared scrap specs.

## Closed Containers and Tanks



Containers and tanks not designed to hold contents under pressure with small or no openings. All containers 5 gal and larger must meet State DEQ, and EPA requirements for an empty container and be adequately ventilated. Empty means rinsed with an appropriate solvent and visibly clean and dry. Acceptable ventilation is an opening 1 square foot per 500 gallons capacity; 1000 gallon and larger tanks must be ventilated at both ends. A "Certificate of Empty Container" form must be signed prior to material passing the gate. Intact tanks also pose an explosion/ fire hazard. When heated quickly in the furnace the air and other vapors cannot escape quickly enough through small openings to prevent explosion. These items will be purchased as a shred or unprepared grade unless cut to prepared scrap iron specs. Steel paint cans are acceptable if empty and dry with lids removed.



## Wheel Weights

Lead WW have been replaced with zinc or steel in some states. **Hand Sorted** lead and zinc WW may be recycled. We cannot accept mixed WW because they all look alike and cannot be reliably separated mechanically due to the steel clip. We cannot accept Steel WW because they are not accepted at steel mills due to the potential for lead contamination. Lead affects the properties of steel, plus has a negative impact on the melting pot and the air quality at the steel mill.

## Ballasts, Transformers, Capacitors



Many electronics manufactured before 1980 contained PCB's. These items must be clearly marked "PCB Free" or "No PCB's" or "Non-PCB" by the manufacturer. Alternately the marked date of manufacture must be after 1980. Older transformers may have had the original PCB oil changed out. These may be recycled if accompanied by certification that the PCB content of the current oil or oil residue is below 50ppm, however, the oil must be drained to meet State DEQ, and EPA requirements for an empty container and be adequately ventilated prior to acceptance for recycling.

## Kegs



Older barrel shaped kegs may be recycled if properly ventilated. Newer kegs with built in handles are owned by the bottling company / distributor and should be returned to them. They may be recycled with written permission from the bottling company / distributor if ventilated.

## AC units, Refridgerators, Freezers and their components



# Materials We Never Accept:

## Radioactive Materials



X-ray and other scientific equipment, smoke alarms, glow-in-the-dark gauges, clocks, etc... and many aircraft parts. Scrap may also be contaminated with Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) in the form of scale deposits or attached soil.

## Explosive Material / Live Ordnance



Loaded ammunition, shell casings with live primers, millitary items, other explosives, "frac-pipe".

## Asbestos



Older pipe and boiler insulation, Ceiling tiles, house siding, fire proof safes (Old safes may have asbestos insulation, newer safes are lined with concrete or similar material. We do not accept either). **Acetylene tanks pre 1985 may be lined with asbestos, newer tanks are lined with porous lime silica saturated with acetone (flammable and toxic).**

## Biohazards, Chemicals, Hazardous Wastes, Liquids of any Kind



Medical waste, spoiled food, syringes, yard & garden chemicals, household cleaners, oils and fuels, CRT (tube type) TV's and monitors, household, power tool batteries and certain types of lead-acid batteries. **With the exception of carbodies all fluids must be removed from all scrap.**

## Mercury



Thermometers, blood pressure monitors, various light bulbs, thermosats, other mercury filled switches

## Yard Waste / Trash



Dirt, rocks, concrete, branches, leaves, grass, wood, trash, loose tires, window frames with glass.