

# Lane County Community Plastics Collection

## Effective November 2023

**LABELS NO LONGER NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM  
COMMUNITY COLLECTED PLASTICS!**

New Label Requirements: **Items must be stamped (2) (4) (5) and be presorted by BOTH shape and number.**



Tubs & Lids



Bottles & Jugs

Please keep these items separate



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- Items must be totally clean and dry and free of adhesive residue.
- Labels can stay on all accepted plastic items with the exception of prescription bottles.
- Prescription bottle labels must have all personal information removed. This can be done by removing the labels or by blacking out all personal data.
- If you can easily labels, please feel free to do so!

## Plastic Collection FAQ

### **Q: Which plastics go in my roll cart?**

**A:** Lane County residents can place #1 and #2 plastic bottles, jars and jugs into curbside recycling carts or take them to county transfer stations. All items must be larger than a tennis ball, clean and dry. Always check the number on your plastic as many of your favorite products can change without warning!

### **Q: How do I identify whether my #2 item is a bottle or a jug?**

**A:** #2 bottles, jars and jugs have a threaded neck and threaded cap. Bottles have a center seam across the bottom. The #2, #4 and #5 tubs have a center indentation on the bottom. Be sure and recycle #2 bottles, jars and jugs in your roll cart or at a transfer station.

### **Q: Why must I remove labels from my prescription bottles and how do I do it?**

**A:** All prescription bottles are required to have labels removed or completely blacked out to protect personal information. Any bottles with information visible will be returned. The best method to remove labels is to apply a generous coating of cooking oil to the label and let it sit overnight. By morning, it is easier to remove the label. Please wipe away the oil and remaining adhesive.

### **Q: Do I need to remove the anti-tampering seals found inside dairy products or lids or any other kinds of labels?**

**A:** Please remove easy to remove labels to the best of your ability.

### **Q: Will you accept take-out containers or trays stamped with a #2, #4 or #5?**

**A:** Most trays from grocery stores are #1 or #6 and cannot be accepted. However, we can accept takeout trays if they are clearly stamped with a #2, #4 or #5 and are clean and dry.

### **Q: Do you accept Pak-Tech beverage carrier/handles that are marked #2?**

**A:** Yes, we accept Pak-Tech beverage carrier/handles. As PakTech is a locally owned company, we request that you keep them separate for collection as we take them directly to their facility.

### **Q: How can I learn more about the community collector program?**

**A:** Visit [lanecountyor.gov/plasticcollection](http://lanecountyor.gov/plasticcollection) to learn more about the community collector program or to find a community collector closest to you.