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#2 Bottles and jugs (HDPE)

#2 Tubs and lids (HDPE)

#4 Lids, tubs bottles and jugs (LDPE)

#5 Tubs, jugs, bottles, lids (PP)

Beware of the Look a-likes! Many product packages that have typically been #2 or #5 in the past, are now showing up in a #1 resin--*not recyclable in this collection*; #2 tubs and #5 tubs are virtually indistinguishable; and packaging materials change without warning. ***Always check the #number!***

Pay attention to preparation instructions. All materials will be screened by your community collector. If materials are not #2s, #4s or #5s, if they are dirty, unsorted or if adhesive labels are not removed, *they will be returned to you for correction or disposal.*

Q. What about adhesive labels?

A. Some paper and plastic labels require soaking. The best method 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. Wipe away the oil and remaining adhesive. Any tubs or jugs that have 'heat stamped' labels (e.g. laundry detergent) cannot be and do not need to be removed. Clear labels like those found on shampoo bottles need to be removed. Some yogurt cups have shrink wrapped labels. Check carefully.

Q. What about Trays?

A. Trays are not on our acceptable list because most are #1 or #6. However there are a growing number of #2, #4, or #5 trays showing up lately. If you encounter these, we can accept them in the appropriate numbered tub collection.

Q. How do I identify whether it's a bottle or a tub?

A. Bottles have a threaded neck and cap. Bottles have a center seam across the bottom. Tubs have a center dimple or radial indentations or smooth surface on the bottom. **Separate #2 tubs from #2 bottles.**

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