## YOU CAN BE A PRO RECYCLER

Use these helpful 3-Steps to develop good recycling habits



## **Step 1: Know Before You Throw**

The following items **CANNOT** be recycled in your *curbside recycling bin*.

For more information on why and options for responsible disposal, visit our website https://bit.ly/longmont-recycles.



#### NO plastic bags, plastic film wraps

**Why?** It gets tangled in the recycling equipment.

**Instead:** Return plastic bags, wrap and film to grocery store collection bins to be properly recycled.



### **NO** Styrofoam™ food containers

**Why?** Styrofoam is not recyclable in our area **Instead:** Place in trash and try to use alternative take-away food containers.



#### NO paper towels, napkins and tissues

**Why?** Fibers aren't strong enough to be recycled into new paper products. **Instead:** Please compost or use cloth reusable towels.



#### NO scrap metal, coat hangers, spare auto parts

**Why?** These items damage the recycling machinery.

**Instead:** Bring them to the waste diversion center and place it in the special scrap metal collection bin.



### **Step 2: Download the Waste Services app**



# Our free Longmont Waste Services mobile app can help with all your recycling-related questions.

- Wondering what can and can't be recycled? Simply search the item in the app to find out what should be recycled, composted or thrown in the garbage — so you can sort your waste properly.
- App Store

  Get it on
- View the collection schedule to find your trash, recycling and compost pickup days.
- Learn about special collection services, changes to your collection routes, and more.



Be sure to empty, lightly rinse your recyclable cans, bottles and jars before putting them in your recycling bin.

Items with residue can cause odors and attract pests in your bin and at the processing centers.



#### Thanks, Longmont, for helping us recycle more and recycle better.

For answers to frequently asked questions, more information, or for recycling pick-up times and dates in your area, visit our website <a href="https://bit.ly/longmont-recycles.">https://bit.ly/longmont-recycles</a>.

