

Butler County did not meet the waste reduction goals outlined in Iowa Code Section 455D.3 and Administrative Rule Section 101.5(8) which called for a 50-percent reduction in landfilled waste by July 1, 2000. The Butler County Solid Waste Commission has implemented several cost-free initiatives to rectify this situation. One such program is the county-wide cardboard recycling directive.

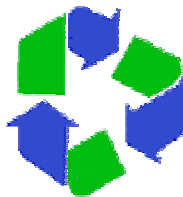
Visible observations of Butler County's waste stream have revealed that cardboard consumes much of our landfilled volume. In an effort to divert this volume from the landfill and assist in meeting our reduction goals, "cardboard only" containers have been placed throughout Butler County.

Butler County residents may recycle their cardboard at their current city recycling site. On-site cardboard recycling containers have been placed at Butler County businesses who qualify as large quantity generators.

If you own a business in Butler County and you generate a significant amount of cardboard, you may qualify as a large quantity generator and may be able to obtain an on-site container.

The Butler County Solid Waste Commission provides 2 to 6 yd. containers at no charge and will pay for 1/2 the cost of collection. Continued failure to meet the mandated 50-percent reduction will result in fine assessments and an increase in user fees to citizens and businesses within Butler County. The Solid Waste Commission is confident that diverting these large volumes of cardboard from the landfill will enable us to exceed our mandated diversion goals.

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ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

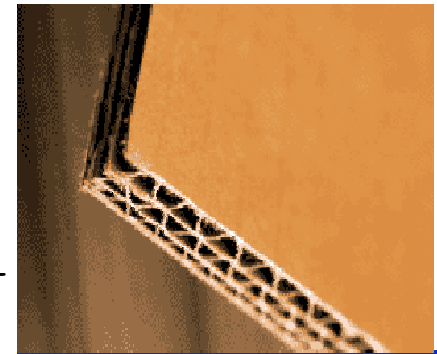
The following items are acceptable for recycling and may be placed in the cardboard collection receptacles.

- **Corrugated Cardboard**— Corrugated cardboard boxes with glue, staples and/or tape are considered recyclable.

Pizza boxes are considered recyclable if they are clean and free of any food items.

- **Single layer “boxboard” or “chipboard”** - Examples include cereal, tissue and shoe boxes.
- **Beverage boxes** - Examples include twelve pack and case can containers.
- **Unlined feed sacks and brown kraft grocery sacks**—No plastic lined sacks will be accepted.

Please flatten all boxes. Boxes should be dry, clean, and free of debris.



Corrugated cardboard has three layers: two flat layers with a wavy layer in-between. From the edge, corrugated cardboard looks like the photo above.

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Keep containers free of all unacceptable items. One contaminated container could spoil an entire load and hinder waste reduction goals.

Non-compliance will ultimately result in higher user fees.

The following items are **NOT** acceptable for recycling and should not be placed in the cardboard recycling receptacle.

! **Glue**—Glue is not acceptable for recycling.

! **Staples**—Staples are not acceptable for recycling.

! **Wax-coated cardboard**—Examples include frozen food, produce and meat boxes.

-**Contaminated cardboard**—Cardboard contaminated with oil, paint, blood, or any organic materials, or wood.

! **Plastic-lined feed sacks**

White paper—At this time white paper may be recycled at the Butler County Transfer Station, 25251 Hwy 3, Allison, Iowa.

Please keep cardboard collection containers free of all garbage and debris.