

# Safetygram

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## Recycling at NCI-Frederick

Recycling at NCI-Frederick is a completely voluntary program designed to give the opportunity for individuals to reduce medical and municipal waste while helping to conserve resources. The following site includes information on what types of materials are recycled, frequently asked questions, and instructions of how to prepare and segregate your products.

<http://home.ncifcrf.gov/ehs/recycling/>

For more information on this list, call Waste Management x **5718** or email [ncichemwaste@mail.nih.gov](mailto:ncichemwaste@mail.nih.gov).

For questions or problems about recycling bin locations, please call the FME Service Worker shop at x **1081**.

### Some Points to Remember While Recycling

- Materials having contact with radioisotopes or pathogenic microorganisms cannot be recycled.
- Glass bottles containing water-insoluble materials (e.g., oils and waxes) or containing highly toxic, carcinogenic, reactive, or malodorous chemicals (e.g., cyanides, sulfides, heavy metal salts, or mercaptans) should not be recycled. Call EHS Waste Management for pickup of these items.
- Specialty glass such as Kimax or Pyrex ware, light bulbs, drinking glasses, or ovenware cannot be accepted for recycling.
- Glass bottles from the laboratory must be thoroughly decontaminated and free of hazardous materials before being recycled. At a minimum, all glass laboratory bottles to be recycled must be triple-rinsed with water and thoroughly drained.
- Labels must be defaced before disposal.