



Home Waste Audit

Instructions: The goal is to track your home waste generation by category for one week.

Depending on your household you can track as you deposit trash each day or collect as normal and empty and count at the end of the week.

If you currently have multiple containers for waste (landfill, recycle, compost, etc.), use the columns to track by container type.

For the amount disposed either count the number of items or if you have a small scale you can choose to weigh the amount of each category.

Based on your results of the audit, review where you could make changes.

Once you have implemented your changes, do a follow-up audit in the next few months to compare the results. Any surprises? Where you successful in reducing waste disposed?

| One- Week Waste Audit | Day ___ | | | |
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| Amount Disposed (Quantity (# of items) or weight by receptacle) | Landfill Trash | Recycle | Compost | Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) |
| Material | | | | |
| Glass | | | | |
| Aluminum Cans | | | | |
| Tin Cans | | | | |
| Steel | | | | |
| Other Metals | | | | |
| Batteries | | | | |
| Corrugated Cardboard | | | | |
| Cardboard containers | | | | |
| Office Paper, Mail | | | | |
| Newspaper | | | | |
| Magazines | | | | |
| Books | | | | |
| Plastic Containers, Bottles, and Lids (all types SP#1- SP#7) | | | | |
| Plastic Bags | | | | |
| Styrofoam | | | | |
| Wood | | | | |
| Textiles/ Clothing | | | | |
| Food Waste | | | | |
| Liquids | | | | |
| Biological waste (bathroom receptile, tissues, PPE) | | | | |
| Medications | | | | |
| Pet Waste | | | | |
| Cleaning waste, vacuum waste | | | | |
| Paint | | | | |
| Electronics | | | | |
| Tires/Rubber | | | | |
| (Cleaners, automotive, paints, aerosols, thermometers, flourescent | | | | |
| All other Garbage | | | | |
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| Totals | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |