

What's the difference?

The ins and outs of Styrofoam



WHITE STYROFOAM

Styrofoam is fairly straightforward. It is a rigid material and you often get it in electronics packaging, with your take-out food or holding your eggs. White Styrofoam needs to be truly white, if it has any colour or printing on it, please put it with the Coloured/Printed Styrofoam. Styrofoam packaging is recycled into picture frames, construction trim, moulding, park benches and fence posts.

Squishy foams are not recyclable at this time. These include foam sheets, packing 'peanuts' and mattress/furniture foam. A general rule of thumb is; if it breaks when you bend it, you can recycle it, if it just squishes or bends but does not break, it goes in the trash.

As always, the attendants at the Recycle BC Depots are there to answer any of your questions.

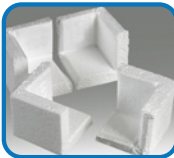


COLOURED/PRINTED STYROFOAM

Coloured/Printed Styrofoam has the same properties as its colourless sibling. The only difference is that some ink or dye has been added. It is also a rigid material that can be recycled into picture frames, construction trim, moulding, park benches and fence posts.

Just like with White Styrofoam, **squishy coloured foams are not recyclable at this time.** These include foam sheeting, acoustic foam and mattress/furniture foam. Foam home insulation is also not accepted.

If you have any questions about what goes where, and what materials are accepted, please ask one of the attendants at your local Recycle BC Depot.



ACOUSTIC FOAM

FOAM SHEETING

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