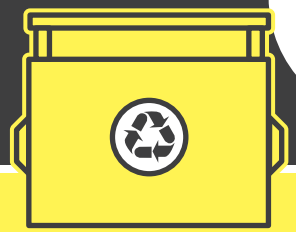

The Yellow Bins

Only the products outlined below can be recycled in the yellow bins. All the other products outlined in this flyer are part of Provincial Product Stewardship Programs, which are totally separate from the RDEK's Yellow Bin Program.

PAPER all mixed paper (such as newspaper, magazines, phone books, brochures, books, envelopes).

CARDBOARD all types of cardboard. Exception: Cardboard covered in wax (for example milk cartons) or soiled with food or grease (like pizza boxes) cannot be recycled and must go in the garbage.

TIN & ALUMINUM CANS food and beverage cans; labels off, rinse well.

PLASTICS Grocery bags and household plastic with the number 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 on it. Plastics must be rinsed and every item must have a number on it. *No Styrofoam*, even though it will be marked a #6.

PLEASE REMEMBER:
All products must be clean. If they aren't clean, they should go in the garbage (putting it in the recycling bin can contaminate the whole load).

CRANBROOK TRANSFER STATION

2405 22ND ST N
8:30am – 5:30pm, 7 days a week
closed Family Day, Remembrance Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day

NO CHARGE FOR:

HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE
AUTO BATTERIES
PROPANE TANKS (< 100 LBS)
CHIPPED GREEN WOOD WASTE
CLEAN WOOD WASTE
MATTRESSES & BOXSPRINGS
SCRAP METAL & APPLIANCES (INCLUDING THOSE WITH FREON)
YARD AND GARDEN WASTE (UNDER 6" IN DIAMETER)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Transfer Station now accepts various household solvents, pesticides and other flammable liquids as well as used motor oil, oil filters and antifreeze. There are some restrictions, please call ahead: **(250) 489-2768**.

CRANBROOK AND AREA RECYCLING GUIDE

1-888-478-7335 | www.rdek.bc.ca

PROVINCIAL PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS

When you pay an eco fee on a product, such as oil or electronics, those funds go to Provincial Stewardship Programs for their proper collection and recycling/disposal. These programs are Provincial and are totally separate from the RDEK. There are hundreds of products that can be recycled through these programs, and we encourage you to visit the Product Stewards' websites for details on what products they accept and a list of depots in the region. You can also contact the RDEK and we will do our best to help connect you with these resources.

OIL, OIL FILTERS & ANTIFREEZE

The BC Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) oversees the used oil program in BC. There are several depots including the Cranbrook Transfer Station, however, not all take antifreeze. Ensure every drop of used oil and antifreeze, every filter and every container is brought to a collection facility so it can be disposed of properly.

visit **www.usedoilrecycling.com**

OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT

Electronic/electrical mowers, lawn tractors, snow blowers and gardening tools – corded and/or battery powered can be taken to Columbia Recycle (330 – 317th Ave, Kimberley). Mon – Fri 7:30am – 4:30pm.

visit **www.productcare.org or www.opeic.ca**

PAINT

All paint and aerosol paints in the Cranbrook area should be taken to the Cranbrook Bottle Depot (1125 Industrial Rd #3).

Containers must be sealed in paint containers and clearly labeled. If paint cans are dried out and there is no liquid left, the cans can go in the garbage.

visit **www.productcare.org**

SMOKE ALARMS & CO2 ALARMS

Drop off locations for used or expired smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms are the Cranbrook Bottle Depot or Cranbrook Home Hardware.

visit **www.productcare.org/Smoke-Alarms**

TIRES

Tire Stewardship BC collects an eco fee when you buy tires to pay for transporting and recycling of old tires. There are depots that take up to 4 tires at a time free of charge, including Canadian Tire, Kal Tire, Mister Tire, Integra Tire, Dixon's Service Centre, and Cranbrook Dodge.

visit **www.tsbc.ca**

BATTERIES & CELLPHONES

Alkaline and rechargeable batteries as well as cellphones are recyclable. The drop off locations include Staples, The Source, Canadian Tire and Kootenay Communications.

visit **www.call2recycle.ca**

ELECTRONICS

The environmental handling fees you pay on electronics in BC are managed by Encorp and the drop-off location is the Cranbrook Bottle Depot.

They accept a wide range of electronics, including: televisions, computers, monitors, fax machines, DVD/VHS players, stereos, MP3 players, speakers, earphones, microphones, telephones, radios, vehicle audio and video systems, etc.

visit **www.return-it.ca/electronics**

MEDICATIONS

Unused and expired medicines can be returned to pharmacies participating in the Medications Return Program.

ACCEPTED:

- ALL PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
- NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
- HERBAL PRODUCTS
- VITAMIN AND MINERAL SUPPLEMENTS
- THROAT LOZENGES

***NOT* ACCEPTED:**

- COSMETICS, SKIN CARE PRODUCTS
- DISINFECTANTS/CLEANERS
- CONTACT LENS SOLUTIONS
- SUNSCREEN/SUNTAN LOTION
- MOUTHWASHES AND TOOTHPASTES

visit **www.medicationsreturn.ca**

GASOLINE, PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES

The Cranbrook Transfer Station accepts a variety of household solvents, pesticides, gasoline and other flammable liquids. There are some restrictions, so make sure to call ahead: **(250) 489-2768**.

visit **www.productcare.org**

SMALL APPLIANCES

With ElectroRecycle, you can recycle over 300 types of electrical products at the Cranbrook Bottle Depot.

The program accepts small appliances, power tools, microwaves, vacuum cleaners, hair dryers/curling irons, scales, timers, sewing machines, treadmills and more.

visit **www.electrorecycle.ca**

LIGHT BULBS & FIXTURES

Product Care Recycling oversees light recycling in BC. Accepted products include incandescent lights, LEDs, compact fluorescent, tube fluorescent light bulbs, lighting fixtures, lamps, string lights, and much more.

The light recycling depots are Cranbrook Home Hardware (1901 McPhee Rd) and Skyway Distributors (304 Slater Rd)

visit **www.productcare.org**

OPEN NOW
at the
Cranbrook Transfer Station
2405 22 St N, Cranbrook

PACKAGING

A new way to recycle has arrived at the Cranbrook Transfer Station.

You can now recycle over 76 new items. Styrofoam? Yep, bring it down. Aluminum foil and pie plates? Of course. How about my kids' zippered snack pouches? Don't throw them out, we'd be happy to recycle them. We want to reduce the amount of waste that gets stuffed back into the Earth and increase the number of items that we can recycle into new products that benefit the global community.

The Recycle BC Depot at the Cranbrook Transfer Station is now open.

Save your tax dollars.

The way your tax dollars are spent is very important to you, and we love that. We are always searching to find new ways to save them wisely. Recycle BC is a not-for-profit organization responsible for residential packaging and paper product recycling throughout British Columbia. Recycle BC is funded by producers, like retailers and manufacturers that supply packaging and paper product to BC residents, keeping the costs away from homeowners. By adopting the Recycle BC program, the Regional District of East Kootenay is paid for every tonne we collect. With our yellow bin system, the RDEK pays per tonne through the Regional District's solid waste budget.