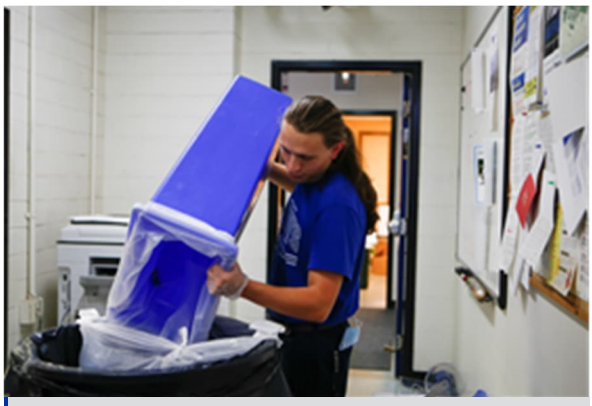
Refuse and discarded waste can pollute stormwater by adding floatables and other pollutants to the stormwater system. The University's MS4 Permit only allows clean water discharges into the stormwater system and requires that the University implement Best Management Practices to prevent the discharge of pollutants from campus. By responsibly handling recycled material, the potential for these impacts can be reduced.

DO

- ✓ Manage solid waste by first reducing, reusing, and/or recycling materials.
- ✓ ***Reduce*** the amount of waste generated by limiting unnecessary purchases.
- ✓ ***Reuse*** items as much as possible.
- ✓ ***Recycle*** paper, cardboard, plastic bottles and jugs, glass bottles and jars, and aluminum and steel cans in UK Recycling's All-in-One program.
- ✓ Divert runoff from recycling storage locations to appropriate drains.
- ✓ Recycle items that contain freon through UK Recycling, to ensure proper handling.
- ✓ Recycle paper containing any confidential or personal health information (PHI) through the use of special collection containers provided by UK Recycling. Contact UK Recycling to provide the proper container.
- ✓ Recycle scrap metal, lightbulbs, ballasts, batteries, pallets, and concrete through UK Recycling's other recycling programs. See UK Recycling's website for information regarding how to properly handle batteries and lightbulbs.



Required Training: 1 per year

Relevant UK Departments:

- Facilities Services Recycling
- Environmental Quality Management

- ✓ Visit UK Recycling's website for a full list of items that can be recycled including CDs/DVDs, VHS, hardbound books, toner bottles, and printer cartridges.
- ✓ Contact UK Recycling with any questions regarding what is recyclable and if any special arrangements are needed.
- ✓ If appropriate containers are not available, request a recycling container from UK Recycling.

DON'T

- ✕ Don't accumulate batteries.
- ✕ Don't throw away items that can be reused or recycled.
- ✕ Don't throw away scrap metal, lightbulbs, ballasts, batteries, pallets, and concrete.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- ➲ Any empty plastic bottle and jug (e.g., washer fluid, hand cleaner, and soap) can be recycled at UK Recycling.
- ➲ UK Recycling is able to recycle tires, batteries (all types), lightbulbs, used oil, oil filters, scrap metal and freon-containing items.
- ➲ Recycling is a good housekeeping practice, ensures compliance with hazardous waste and solid waste regulations, and avoids costly penalties.

ACTIVITY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Check storage areas for recyclable materials MONTHLY and contact UK Recycling to schedule a pickup.
- ☐ Confirm ALL containers for recycling are properly labeled. Contact UK Recycling for labeling and stickers.