

Polystyrene information sheet

Polystyrene is a petroleum-based plastic made from the styrene monomer. Because it is 95 percent air, it is often used as protective packaging for electronics and appliances.

Remember to:

- Clean and rinse containers
- Remove stickers and tape
- Place smaller pieces in a clear transparent bag (This makes handling easier for staff)

Do Not Include:

- Left-over food
- Plastic cutlery
- Left-over liquids
- No other types of foam (e.g. pool noodles)

Accepted Items

Polystyrene packaging from:

- Computers
- Electronics (*cameras, TVs, DVD players, etc.*)
- Appliances (*toasters, blenders, coffee makers, etc.*)

Not Accepted

- Hot tub cover Styrofoam inserts
- Styrofoam take-out containers
- Uncleaned Meat trays (Clean Meat Trays are accepted)
- Coffee cups
- Disposable dishware
- Packing peanuts / popcorn
- Construction insulation, blue and pink
- Polyethylene foam bags and wrapping

Drop-Off Locations

- Bentinck Landfill
- Durham Landfill