

Move-In Recycling Information for Emory University

Pre-move-in waste reduction tips

1. **Wait to purchase larger items**, such as storage units, until after you see your room to ensure that they will fit. This will help reduce unnecessary purchases and waste.
2. **Coordinate with your roommate** before move-in so you do not bring duplicate items.
3. Please **avoid bringing Styrofoam** or packing peanuts to campus. Styrofoam recycling will be available for move-in, but Styrofoam is banned from campus otherwise and is not recyclable on campus during other times of the year.
4. Pack in **reusable crates and bags**, and save them to use again for move-out.
5. For the appliances you do purchase before arrival, **remove them from boxes before coming to campus**.

Move-in Day

1. **Empty and flatten cardboard boxes**. Please be sure all packing material has been removed from boxes. **Put Styrofoam peanuts and small pieces of Styrofoam in clear plastic bags**.
2. Bring boxes, small Styrofoam in plastic bags, and large Styrofoam pieces to the **designated areas labeled "Cardboard" and "Styrofoam" outside of your residence hall**. Emory Recycles will pick up these materials.
3. Place all other recyclable materials in the dedicated recycling space in your hall. Ask your RA or SA if you do not know where recycling is located.

Managing Waste in Your Residence Hall

What You Do

1. Choose a place in your new room that is convenient for recycling. **Your room should be supplied with one recycling bin** that can be used to collect recyclables. This recycling bin should **ALWAYS** remain in your room. These bins are property of Emory University Housing Department.
2. Emory recycles white paper, mixed paper, plastics (including chip bags, Ziploc bags, granola bar wrappers and other snack wrapper waste), tin, steel, glass, aluminum, and cardboard. **Place these items in your in-room recycling bin**. Check out [this guide](#) for more information.
3. **Composting bins** are only provided in the recycling rooms, kitchens and restrooms (for paper towels only!). Please dispose of any food, paper soiled by food (napkins, paper towels, wax paper) and [other compostable materials](#) in one of the composting bins in the recycling rooms or kitchens.
4. When your recycling bin in your room is full – **empty it!** You are responsible for emptying your recycling container at the central collection point in your hallway, dedicated recycling room located on each floor, or in the parking decks, depending upon your residence hall.

What Emory Does

1. The **custodial staff will empty the recycling/composting** from the hallways, recycling rooms, restrooms and kitchens in your building into larger blue and green containers located outside.
2. Emory Recycles staff collects the larger blue recycling carts for **further processing at the Emory Recycling Center** located on Peavine Creek Drive (Come visit! Tours are available.)
3. The large green compost containers are collected by an off-campus vendor and taken to a compost facility to be **turned into compost, "black gold"**, a valuable soil amendment, which is used in flower and landscape beds on Emory's campus. ***It's a closed loop!***



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