

Waste sorting guide – How to sort your waste at LiU

A

Address labels

Residual waste.

Advertising flyers/brochures

Newspaper/return paper.

Aluminum foil/aluminum packaging

Metal packaging. Make sure these are reasonably clean from food residues.

Aluminum can

With deposit = deposit.

Without deposit = metal packaging.

B

Balloons

Residual waste.

Ballpoint pen

Residual waste

Bandages

Residual waste.

Batteries

Batteries, special containers.

Binders

Residual waste or LiU Reuse, alternatively recycling center for reuse.

Books

Hardcover: residual waste.

Paperback/softcover: newspaper/return paper.

Possibly LiU Reuse or recycling center for reuse.

Bottle

In glass (no deposit): clear or colored glass packaging.

In plastic (no deposit): plastic packaging.

With deposit: deposit.

Bottle caps

In metal: metal packaging.

In plastic: plastic packaging.

Bubble wrap

Small quantities: plastic packaging.

Large quantities: contact Post and House Services if needed or go to the recycling center.

C

Calculator

Electronic waste.

Candles (paraffin/stearin)

Residual waste.

Cannulae

Handle as sharp waste. See the Laboratory Safety Manual for more information.

Cardboard

Packaging: paper packaging.

Corrugated cardboard: corrugated cardboard. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Carrier bags

In paper: paper packaging.

In plastic: plastic packaging.

CD case

Residual waste.

CD/DVD/Blu-ray discs

Residual waste.

CD player

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or go to recycling center for reuse.

Ceramics

Whole: LiU Reuse, or recycling center for reuse.

Broken: not recyclable (landfill). Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Chemicals

Hazardous waste. See Laboratory Safety Handbook for more information.

Chip bag

In paper: paper packaging.

In plastic: plastic packaging.

Clock/watch

Non-functioning: electronic waste. Remove battery if possible and sort it

separately.

Functioning: LiU Reuse, or recycling center for reuse.

Coffee cup

Not recyclable, landfill.

Coffee filter/coffee grounds

Food waste.

Computers/laptop

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Computer accessories

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Computer monitor

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Corrugated cardboard

Paper packaging in sorting room. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

D

Dish brush

Residual waste.

Dish soap bottle

Plastic packaging.

Dishcloths

Residual waste.

Dishwasher detergent

Hazardous waste.

Disposable cup

In plastic: plastic packaging.

In paper: paper packaging.

Disposable plate

In plastic: plastic packaging.

In paper: paper packaging

Drinking glass (whole and broken)

Not recyclable, landfill. Contact Cleaning Services if a suitable sorting container is missing.

E

Electrical cables

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Empty paint cans

In metal: metal packaging.

With residues left: hazardous waste.

Envelopes

Residual waste. If you remove glue/plastic parts, they can be sorted as paper.

Eraser

Residual waste.

F

Flashlight

Electronic waste. Remember to remove the battery first and sort it separately!

Fluorescent tube

Light sources. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Flyer/brochure

Newspaper/return paper.

Food waste/leftovers

Food waste.

Frigolite/Celluar plastic

In small quantities: plastic packaging

In large quantities: sorting room or recycling center. Contact Post and House Service if needed.

Fruit waste

Food waste.

Furniture

LiU Reuse system or recycling center.

G

Gift ribbon

Residual waste.

Gift wrapping paper

Paper packaging.

Glass jar

Colored or clear glass packaging.

Glass bottle

Without deposit: colored or clear glass packaging.

With deposit: deposit.

Glue

Hazardous waste.

Gypsum/plaster

Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

H**Halogen lamp**

Light sources. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Household paper

Small quantities: food waste.

Larger quantities: residual waste.

Household roll

Paper packaging.

Headphones

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

I**Ink cartridge for printer/copiers**

Taken care of by the supplier during printer maintenance.

J**Jar**

In aluminium: metal packaging.

In plastic: plastic packaging.

In paper: paper packaging.

Jar lids

In plastic: plastic packaging.

In metal: metal packaging.

K

Keyboard

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

L

Laboratory waste

Handled according to the Laboratory Safety Handbook.

Laminated paper/plasticized paper

Residual waste.

LED lamp

Light sources, sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Lid

In metal: metal packaging.

In plastic: plastic packaging.

Light bulb (incandescent)

Light sources. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Low-energy lamp (CFL)

Light sources. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

M

Marker pen

Residual waste.

Metal tube

Metal packaging.

Mechanical pencil

Residual waste.

Milk carton/package

Paper packaging. Must be empty.

Mirror glass

Not recyclable (landfill). Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Mobile phone

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Monitor

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

Moving box

Corrugated cardboard in sorting room. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

N

Nails & screws

Metal scrap. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Napkin

Residual waste.

Needles/syringes

Handled as sharp waste. See Laboratory Safety Handbook for more information.

Newspapers

Paper/return paper.

Notebooks

Newspaper/return paper.

O

Office paper

All "white paper," magazines, and advertising are sorted as newspaper/return paper.

P

Padded envelope

Residual waste.

Paint can

In metal: metal packaging

With residues remaining: hazardous waste

Paint residues

Hazardous waste. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed

Paintbrush

Used: hazardous waste.

Paint brush cleaner

Hazardous waste.

Paperclip

Residual waste.

Paper towel roll

Paper packaging.

Paper roll

Paper packaging.

Paper bag

Paper packaging.

Paper plate

Paper packaging. Must be empty and reasonably clean.

Paper cup

Paper packaging. Must be empty and reasonably clean.

Pens

Residual waste.

PET bottles

Deposit.

Pizza box

Paper packaging. Must be empty and reasonably clean.

Plaster (band-aid)

Residual waste.

Plastic box (hard plastic)

Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Plastic bag/carrier bag

Plastic packaging.

Plastic cup

Plastic packaging. Must be empty and reasonably clean.

Plastic film/wrap

Plastic packaging.

Plastic gloves/rubber gloves

Residual waste.

Plastic jar

Plastic packaging.

Plastic sleeve (document protector)

Residual waste.

Polystyrene/styrofoam

Small quantities: plastic packaging.

Large quantities: sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Porcelain (broken)

Not recyclable (landfill). Sorting room, or recycling center. Beware: shards may be harmful for staff. Contact Cleaning Services if needed.

Post-it notes

Residual waste.

Printer/copier cartridges

Handled by supplier during printer maintenance.

R

Radio

Electronic waste. Remove any batteries first.

Receipts

Newspaper/return paper.

Remote control

Electronic waste. Remember to remove the battery first and sort it separately!

Rubber gloves

Residual waste.

Rubber band

Residual waste.

S

Scissors

Metal scrap. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Shredded paper

Newspaper/return paper.

Slovents

Hazardous waste.

Smoke detector

Electronic waste. Remember to remove the battery and sort it separately!

Spray can/bottle

Hazardous waste. Sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Staples (small metal pins)

Residual waste.

Straw

In plastic: plastic packaging.

In paper: paper packaging.

Styrofoam/polystyrene

Small quantities: plastic packaging.

Large quantities: sorting room, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

T

Tape

Residual waste.

Tea bag

Food waste.

Tealight holders

Empty tealight cups (aluminum casing): metal packaging. Remove wick.

Textiles

Curtains in good condition: LiU Reuse.

Other textiles: textile recycling.

Thermometer

Electronic thermometers: electronic waste.

Mercury thermometers: hazardous waste.

Tin can

Metal packaging.

Tools

Non-functioning: electric or battery-powered tools = electronic waste.

Other tools: metal scrap at recycling center.

TV

Non-functioning: electronic waste, or recycling center. Contact Post and House Services if needed.

Functioning: contact DIGIT, or recycling center for reuse.

V

Vegetable leftovers

Food waste.

W

Water-based paint

Hazardous waste.

Writing paper

Newspaper/return paper.