

THE BENEFITS FROM YOUR COMMERCIAL RECYCLING

Reduce Pollution!

Be environmentally friendly by recycling and reducing the amount of waste you send to landfills. It is good for our air and conserves valuable land.

Control Costs!

Recycling reduces the amount of trash you put in your dumpster. You may be able to decrease the size of your dumpster (or your number of trash pick-ups.) Recycling costs much less than throwing materials away.

Save money and increase revenue!

Recycle scrap metal from a construction job site as a scrap yard and get paid for it.

Save energy!

Preheat water by using heat energy to recover the heat from air conditioners.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Informational Guide

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
COOPERATION!!**



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ACT 101

Act 101 requires commercial, institutional, and municipal establishments located in Pennsylvania's mandated municipalities* to recycle high grade office paper, corrugated cardboard, aluminum, metal and tin cans, glass and leaf waste.

*Borough of Sinking Spring is a mandated municipality.

Who must comply?

All offices, restaurants, grocery stores, retail shops, service shops, schools, churches, civic groups and any other establishments that are not residences must comply.

How does an establishment comply?

Each calendar year, you are required to report how much you recycled and the items you recycled by January 15th. Forms are available at the Borough building and will also be mailed to property owners each year.

Fines & Penalties

All businesses and establishments that generate recyclable materials are required to recycle. Fines and penalties can reach \$1,000 per day and per occurrence.

Get everyone involved

An effective program works only when everyone is enthusiastically involved in the program. Be sure to explain the recycling system to all employees and post clear directions, posters and container labels.

Keep it simple

Recycling should be kept simple. Clearly label containers and place them where they can be easily accessed by everyone.

Be environmentally aware

The bulk of commercial and retail waste is corrugated boxes, jars, bottles, cans and office paper. Pennsylvania law requires these materials to be recycled.

AT A MINIMUM THESE ITEMS MUST BE RECYCLED:

- High grade office paper
- Corrugated cardboard
- Plastic
- Aluminum cans
- Metal and tin
- Glass
- Leaf waste

If you currently have Borough curbside pick-up, we already receive the information. Please make sure you are recycling all of the above items.

For additional information please go to the following websites:

- List of haulers that provide recycling services and/or a list of drop-off locations:

<http://www.co.berks.pa.us/swa>

