

My ZERO WASTE ✓ Checklist & Tips

REDUCE Waste

- Buy in bulk or concentrate
- Purchase only what you need
- Fight junk mail! How? Remove your name & address from mailing lists:
 - **Use your smart phone:** "PaperKarma" app
 - **Go online:** www.dmchoice.org, www.optoutprescreen.com, www.catalogchoice.org
 - **Mail a request:** Mail Preference Service, c/o Direct Marketing Assoc., P.O. Box 90008, Farmingdale, NY 11735
- Choose products with minimal packaging
- Use both sides of paper; make two-sided copies

REUSE

- Swap disposables for reusables (switch to refillable bottles, reusable shopping bags, personal take-out containers, wooden/metal utensils, cloth napkins, glass/metal straws, etc.)
- Give gently used items to family, friends, a shelter or garage sale
- Take your 'still good stuff' (no refrigerators, washing machines, ranges) to a Reuse Center

Reuse Centers at Hawai'i County Solid Waste Transfer Stations

KEA'AU	8am-5pm daily, 895-5815	LAUPĀHOEHOE	6am-6pm Sun/Tues/Fri
KEALAKEHE	8am-4pm daily, 238-2978	PĀHOA	8am-4pm daily, 895-5775
KEAUHOU	8am-4pm daily, 315-2745	WAIMEA	9am-4:30pm, 895-0482
	HILO		7am-4pm daily, 896-0048

RECYCLE

- Take your Recycling to a **Hawai'i County Transfer Station**

Bin Type

What goes in / Guidelines

Mixed

- Cardboard, brown paper bags (flatten)
- Newspaper, magazines, glossy brochures
- Aluminum, tin cans (empty & rinse; non-HI5*)
- Mixed & shredded office paper
- Phonebooks, paperback books
- Boxboard, toilet/towel rolls, paper egg cartons (empty & flatten)
- Plastic bags & plastic film (knot & bundle in another knotted plastic bag)
- Plastic containers accepted: #1, #2, #5 (empty & rinse; non-HI5*)



- Place CLEAN items directly into dumpster (Do not bag)
- NO food/oil residue; wax coated; milk & aseptic cartons or Mylar
- NO Styrofoam/Expanded Polystyrene (EPS), plastic #6

- Compost at home

- Fruit/veg scraps
- Greenery
- Used wooden utensils
- Soiled cardboard
- Soiled paper

Hint: Find these numbers on the bottom of plastic containers

Glass

- Empty & rinse
- All colors accepted
- NO HI5*
- NO metal or plastic lids/caps

*What is "HI5"?

"HI 5¢" is marked on labels & can tops of eligible aluminum, glass & plastic beverage containers. These can be recycled and redeemed for 5¢ each at HI5 Redemption Centers across the island & State of Hawai'i.



Contact us! Recycle Hawai'i, PO Box 4847, Hilo, HI 96720; 808-969-2012

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What is Recycle Hawai'i ?

Recycle Hawai'i is a 501(c)3 non-profit educational organization based on Hawai'i Island. Our mission is to educate the Hawai'i Island communities on recycling and waste reduction activities for a more environmentally sustainable future.

Does Recycle Hawai'i work with the county?

Yes, we are a "professional services provider" typically under contract with the County of Hawaii (COH), Department of Environmental Management, but occasionally with COH Department of Research & Development, and work on projects that align with our educational mission.

What does Recycle Hawai'i do?

We sponsor ongoing services, community presentations and events to inform and engage community members in **recycling, composting** and **reducing solid waste**, such as

- Arts & Crafts of UPCycling Project
- Backyard Composting Workshops
- Hawai'i Island Recycling Guide
- Keeping It Green Hawai'i Award
- Reuse Centers at Hawai'i County Solid Waste Transfer Stations
- Zero Waste Event Support



We also collaborate with local county, state, federal agencies, other non-profit organizations and community volunteers to promote ongoing and annual initiatives, such as:

- Get the Drift & Bag It/International Coastal Cleanups in **September-October**
- Recycle-Bowl School Competition in **October-November**
- America Recycles Day on **November 15**

Can we contact Recycle Hawai'i to do a presentation for our school or organization?

Yes! We love to expand our reach into the community. Please contact our Education Director, Marsha Hee, for more information at 985-8725 or educationdirector@recyclehawaii.org.

We Welcome Your Support!

Recycle Hawai'i relies on membership volunteers, donations and grants to continue its outreach and advocacy.

Visit www.recyclehawaii.org to learn how you can help!

Questions? Contact us!

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Mahalo to our partners!

