

Plastic - PET

What?



code number 1

One of the plastics that can be **recycled many times!**

Cooldrink or water bottles, home & personal care products



Why do manufacturers use it?

- Strong
- Shatterproof
- Lightweight
- Transparent



How to responsibly purchase, use & dispose:

- Ensure you opt for products **packaged** in PET that **can** be recycled
- Choose **clear** or **light blue bottles** as these can be recycled into new bottles or packaging.



At home



- PET can go into the **same bag** as mixed recyclables but **separate** from landfill waste.
- If there is a **shrink sleeve** on the bottle, **remove it!**
- **Never place anything inside** the bottle.
- **Remove** the cap, **squash** the bottle, and place the cap **back on**, ensuring that nothing will get inside & then dispose of it correctly.
- Some plastics **look & feel** like PET but **aren't** (like biodegradable and compostable items) - keep these **out** of your recycling bag!

Why?

So that plastic doesn't go to the **dumpsite** and is rather **reprocessed** so it can be used **over and over again**.

