plastic symbols explained



The chart below will help you identify different types of plastics to make recycling a little easier!

Symbol	Polymer type	Examples	Recyclable?
	PET Polyethylene Terepthalate	Fizzy drinks Mineral water bottles Squashes Cooking oils	Recycling points are located throughout the UK
HDPE	HDPE High Density Polyethylene	Milk bottles Juice bottles Washing up liquid Bath & shower bottles	Recycling points are located throughout the UK
	PVC Polyvinyl Chloride	Usually in bottle form however not that common these days	Some Recycling points in the UK
	LDPE Low Density Polyethylene	Many types of packaging are made from these materials, for example, plastic formed around meats	Due to the mixture of compounds these plastic types are hard to recycle and not generally recycled in the UK
	PP Polypropylene	and vegetables.	
	PS Polystyrene		
OTHER	OTHER All other resins and multi- materials		

For information about where to recycle different types of materials please check out the bank locator on recycle-more.co.uk.

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