



ATHLETIC FACILITY RECYCLING

When kids and adults get together to play and watch athletic events, they generate large numbers of bottles and cans. Some athletic facilities only provide aluminum can recycling. In reality, beverage containers of all kinds should be recycled at any athletic event, facility or concession stand. Additionally, concession stands and other similar food service facilities should also recycle the corrugated cardboard.

Recycling Beverage Containers

Beverage container recycling at athletic facilities should include aluminum cans, PET #1 and HDPE #2 plastic bottles, and clear, green and brown glass bottles. It is best to have one recycling receptacle for all of these containers. If your aluminum cans are collected for fund raising purposes, you may collect them in a separate container, but you will get the best recycling results using *one* container.

Recycling Tip: Always place a recycling container next to every trash can at your facility (or at least the high trafficked places where cans and bottles are most likely to be disposed of).

Recycling at the Concession Stand

Concession stands are often staffed by volunteers who need to be informed of their responsibilities to recycle cans, bottles and corrugated cardboard.

Recycling Tip: Always provide clearly marked directions and adequate and convenient storage space for recyclables.

Recycling Program Books

Program books and flyers may be deposited in the same container as the bottles and cans.

Recycling Grass Clippings

Athletic fields produce enormous amounts of grass clippings and leaves. Don't bag or set fire to organic waste. Explore grasscycling and leafcycling techniques and leave it right on the landscape to decompose naturally and fortify the turf.

Recycling Tip: Cut 1/3 of the blade of grass and run through the leaves with your mower and leave on the lawn to lay as a natural fertilizer. Large amounts of yard waste may be brought to your local municipal composting facility or the SECCRA or Lanchester Landfill.