

LET'S PRACTICE  
BEING

*nice*  
*naughty*

AND NOT

when it comes to **choosing  
recyclable, less wasteful  
options** this holiday season



Celebrate the holiday season in a way that is both bright and eco-friendly. Know which packaging materials are recyclable—or not—and have a nicer, greener season ahead.



**THESE ITEMS ARE NOT RECYCLABLE:**

- Greeting cards with glitter or metallic accents
- Gift wrap and gift bags made of foil or plastic
- Ribbons and bows
- Plastic product packaging
- Tissue paper
- Wrapping paper with glitter



**THESE ITEMS MAY BE RECYCLED:**

- ✓ Paper greeting cards and envelopes
- ✓ Paper gift bags
- ✓ Plain wrapping paper (without glitter or foil)
- ✓ Cardboard shipping boxes



- ✓ **Keep reusable shopping bags in your car.**
- ✓ **As a gift alternative,** make a donation in honor of a loved one.
- ✓ **Send e-cards and e-vites** rather than paper cards.
- ✓ **Use your own** dinnerware, cups and utensils when entertaining.
- ✓ **If you give electronic gifts,** include rechargeable batteries.
- ✓ **If you use a naturally grown Christmas tree,** place it in a quiet corner of your yard after the holidays; the birds will love it. Or, recycle it. **Check back with [askHRgreen.org](http://askHRgreen.org)** for a list of Christmas tree recycling guidelines in each locality.