

# Muskoka's Blue Box Program



# Recycling in Muskoka



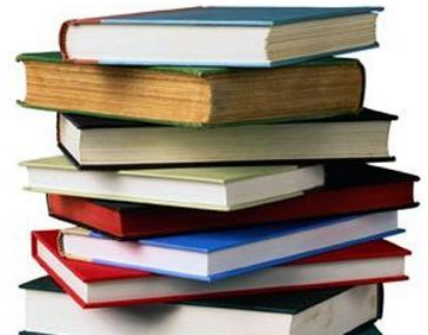
- Progressive Waste Solutions (BFI) is Muskoka's Collection Contractor
- Bracebridge, Gravenhurst, Huntsville, Muskoka Lakes, Georgian Bay – **Receive Curbside Collection**  
*(Approximately 38,000 curbside customers)*
- Lake of Bays – **No Curbside Collection** *(Use of Depot Sites only)*
- All Recyclable Material is brought to the *(Material Recovery Facility)* MRF in Bracebridge for Sorting





# Paper Products

If it's made of paper/fibres – or mostly made out of paper.



# Containers

If it's packaging from the grocery store, it can be recycled in your Blue Box.

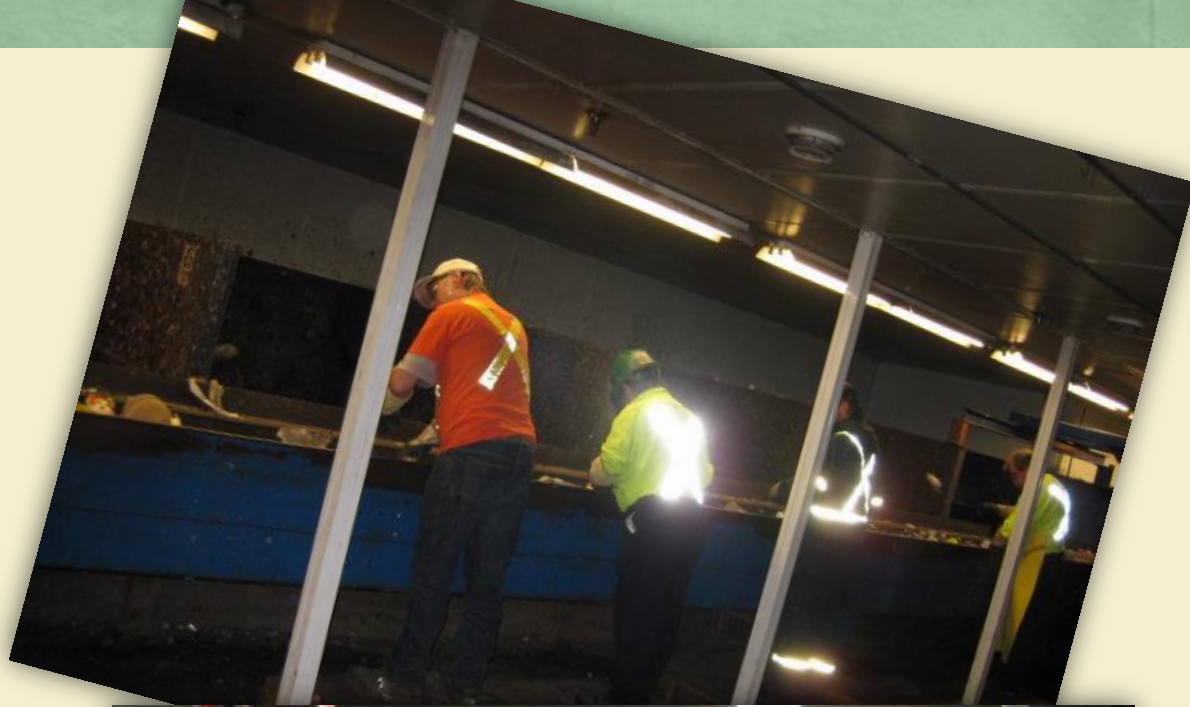




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# Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, REFUSE

- Coffee Travel Mug
- Stainless Steel Drinking Bottle
- Fresh Fruits and Veggies instead of produce in cans, frozen boxes and bags.
- Buy in bulk, using your own containers from home to eliminate the use of can, carton, and plastic bag packaging.
- Buy big boxes of cereal instead of individually packaged cereals.
- Don't buy individual "snack-sized" boxes or bags.
- Buy quarts of yogurt instead of eight-ounce or smaller cups.
- Use metal and ceramic baking pans instead of aluminum disposable pans.



# The Proposed Waste Reduction Act (*Bill 91*)

To address and to help Ontario move toward reaching diversion goals, the government unveiled the **Waste Reduction Act (Bill 91)** in June of 2013.

If the bill is passed, this act will replace the current Waste Diversion Act and will aim to transfer responsibility from municipalities to waste producers by:

- Introducing **Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)** – prolonging a producer’s responsibility for ‘designated wastes’ to the end of their product’s life cycle, shifting responsibility away from municipalities and consumers.
- Producers of designated wastes will be required to meet government-set **waste reduction** requirements (including reuse, recycling and collection), along with service standards **and** standards for promotion and education of their consumers so that they can easily and conveniently recycle the product.
- Introducing **inspectors** who can issue **administrative penalties, fines (up to \$500,000) and compliance orders** to producers who fail to comply with the Act.
- **Internalizing costs** by making producers finance the cost of disposal of their products, motivating them to reduce waste in their design and eliminating the possibility of eco-fees being passed on to the customer through **regulating labeling** to accurately represent pricing and cost structures.