



Help C.O.L. work towards the 6-month Trex Challenge

Starting this October, Christ Our Light will take part in a 6-month challenge to recycle over 500 pounds of plastic that Trex uses to make outdoor furniture. If we reach our goal, we will receive a beautiful recycled bench from Trex. We encourage you to start collecting these plastics now.

**ITEMS ACCEPTED BY TREX COMPANY:** Bubble wrap (pop bubbles), grocery bags, (all colors), case overwrap, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, produce bags, cereal bags, paper towel /toilet paper overwrap, Ziploc or food storage bags, ice bags (DRY – without metal clips), wood pellet bags, stretch film and pallet wrap, furniture foam wrap.

**IMPORTANT; ALL PLASTIC MUST BE CLEAN, DRY AND FREE OF FOOD RESIDUE.**

Bring your collected plastic on Mitzvah Day, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>. Trex receptacles will be at curbside or in the entrance to the Parish Center on Mitzvah Day.

## What can be recycled?

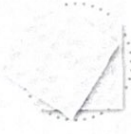
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Grocery bags



Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



Ice bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



Case overwrap



Salt bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags

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# DO NOT INCLUDE THESE ITEMS IN NEXTREX® PROGRAMS



**FROZEN  
FOOD BAGS**



**CANDY BAR  
WRAPPERS**



**CHIP  
BAGS**



**NET OR MESH  
PRODUCE BAGS**



**PET FOOD  
BAGS**

## OR THESE

- ✗ Degradable/  
compostable bags  
or film packaging
  - ✗ Pre-washed salad  
mix bags
  - ✗ Hot dog or meat  
wrap packaging
- ✗ Six-pack rings
  - ✗ PPE- Gloves, masks,  
or protective wear
  - ✗ Pool covers
  - ✗ Lamination film
  - ✗ Silage and hay bags
- ✗ Vinyl shower curtains  
or tablecloths
  - ✗ Bedding or linen  
packaging
  - ✗ Shiny, crinkly films  
like floral wrap
  - ✗ Backyard ice rinks

## DON'T SEE YOUR ITEM ON THE LIST?

Try these tests to see if your plastic is acceptable or not.

**See if the package will stretch when you pull it.** If yes, it can be included. If it tears like paper, then please don't put in the bin.

**Is the package shiny or does it make a crinkly/crunchy sound in your hand?** If yes, do NOT recycle in the NexTrex® bin.



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### CAN I RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS AND FILM IF THEY...

...are colored plastic?

**YES**, the color does not affect the recycling process.

...tear like paper?

**NO**, please do not include, as they are not currently accepted in film/bag recycling bins.

...stretch when I pull it apart with both hands?

**YES**, this is the correct type of plastic to recycle. If it doesn't stretch or it tears like paper, please throw it in the trash.

...are thicker, stiff plastics for linens and beddings (including anything with a real zipper)?

**NO**, they are not the kind of plastic recyclers can use in their processes.

...have a paper label or tape stuck on?

**YES**, but labels, tape and adhesive strips should be removed if possible. You can simply cut off of the label as the integrity of the bag isn't important to the recycler.

...are pet food bags?

**NO**, this plastic is not recyclable.

...are very shiny (like floral wrap) and make a loud crinkly sound when crumpled?

**NO**, this plastic film is not recyclable.

...are boat wrap?

**NO**, because its intended use is to protect boats outside, which means it could contain barriers or be contaminated with moisture and debris that are problematic in the recycling process.

...have a shiny metal look like a chip bag or candy wrappers?

**NO**, this plastic film is not recyclable.

...have this NexTrex® label?

**YES**, brands and retailers are using this label to let consumers know that the plastic film package is recyclable.

...are labeled degradable AND recyclable?

**NO**, recyclers can't risk using degradable plastics in new items so these items are not recyclable.

...contains other materials or is dirty or wet?

**NO**, plastic film must be clean and dry and the right type in order for it to be recycled. Please remove all other materials like tape, paper receipts, food residue and crumbs, and crinkly or rigid plastics (bottles and tubs). These contaminants can ruin the quality of the plastic and may result in it not being recycled.



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