



GENERAL RECYCLING INDUSTRIES
CORPORATE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Dear Valued Supplier,

Scrap metal recycling is a vital and well established industry and plays a critical role in efforts to reclaim valuable secondary materials for reuse into new products, conserve natural resources, and make better use of diminishing landfill capacity. Annually, it is estimated that the Canadian scrap metal industry recycles some 12 million tons of scrap metal (*NRCAN*) which, if not diverted would have constituted an equivalent stream of solid waste.

Many of the post-consumer materials handled by this industry are at the end of their useful life. As such, the problems created during their manufacture (i.e. hazardous constituents and non-recyclable materials) become the responsibility of the end use recycler.

General Recycling Industries (GRI) is dedicated to responsible and environmentally safe operating procedures and practices through compliance with all applicable municipal, provincial, and federal environmental laws and regulations. As such, our commitment to maintaining an environmentally sound workplace is demonstrated by our adoption of industry-developed comprehensive environmental operating guidelines.

Revised on July 1st, 2020, General Recycling Industries, unless accompanied by:

- A valid Material Data Safety Sheet identifying contents
- Certification of Disposal (PCB's – oil sample)
- Signed Customer Disclosure and Acknowledgement of potentially hazardous material content

Will no longer accept the following:

- Radioactive materials
 - Closed containers, barrels, drums, tanks that may contain residual materials, that have not been triple-rinsed, drained, and have multiple holes punctured in top and bottom
 - Large storage units, mud tanks, vessels, compressors, heat exchangers, closed electrical units, motor housing and/or self-contained, generating units where the internal contents have not been removed and may contain residual fluids that may be deemed as hazardous wastes
 - Household, organic, industrial or medical waste
 - Asbestos
 - Sealed fuel containers including, gas tanks, jet and racing fuel, and propane tanks where tanks still have valves attached
 - Aerosol cans without punctures
 - Fracking pipe
 - PCB contaminated material
 - Electronics, plastic, wood, paper, glass and rubber (including tires not attached to a vehicle)
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- Potentially live ammunition, weaponry and razor wire
- School buses, motor homes, or any other recreational vehicles
- Propane operated vehicles where fuel systems are still in place
- Fuel and oil filters
- Fire extinguishers with valves still in place
- Purple "K" fire extinguishers
- Brake pods
- Motors that are not drained or have filters still in place
- Light fixtures with ballasts and/or bulbs in place

In an effort to assist our suppliers with our environmental compliance, we welcome questions and are happy to assist in identifying the treatment and disposal options in regards to the materials identified above.

Sincerely,

Kevin Swerling
General Manager