

# **SORTING GUIDE**

## WELCOME TO THE **OCEAN PLASTIC DEPOT**

This depot is one of the first of its kind in Canada created to collect and recycle select ocean plastics and marine debris materials from cleanup efforts as well as legacy equipment from the marine sector.

Thank you to all the volunteer cleaning efforts that are an integral part in solving this plastic pollution crisis.



Canada







# WE DO NOT ACCEPT

- X Coloured Styrofoam
- X Dirty Styrofoam
- **X** PVC /ABS Tubing
- X Lighters, Tennis Balls
- X Containers or Bottles with liquid
- X Metal, Glass or Fiberglass
- X Candy/Snack Wrappers



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DO NOT LEAVE LOOSE ITEMS! All items must be placed in a provided storage bag unless it is too big to fit into a bag.

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No standing water. Please empty all water from all items if possible before placing them in a storage bag.

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Do not leave your item in the wrong category or on the ground. Help us keep things organized!

If you do not see your item included in a category then we unfortunately are not yet able to recycle your item or your regional district has a local recycling option in place.

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### WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT? •

### 8-12 MILLION TONS ENTERS THE OCEAN

... EVERY YEAR KILLING MARINE WILDLIFE, COMPROMISING HUMAN AND OCEAN HEALTH, THREATENING FOOD QUALITY AND SAFETY AS WELL AS COASTAL TOURISM; CONTRIBUTING TO GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE..

## ONLY 9%

... MUCH OF IT ENDING UP IN LANDFILLS OR WATERWAYS

## T FOR MICROPLAS

... THREATEN OUR ENTIRE ECOSYSTEM. THE PARTICLES ARE IN OUR FOOD, WATER AND ARE NOW A PART OF OUR WEATHER SYSTEMS. PREVENTING PLASTIC FROM ENTERING THE OCEAN HELPS PREVENT ITS EVENTUAL BREAKDOWN INTO MICROPLASTICS.

### **DEPOT BENEFITS**

\* Diverting landfill waste

**400 MILLION** 

IS PRODUCED EVER

**EAR AROUND THE WORLD** 

SINGLE USE

... A LARGE PERCENTAGE O MISMANAGED PLASTICS.

- \* Reducing oceanic plastic pollution
- \* Reducing our carbon footprint by making recycled sources of plastic available
- \* Stimulating the Canadian plastic circular economy
- Creating safer and cleaner marine environments for all to enjoy

Please carefully read the category and picture signs that are provided next to each storage bag located either in or beside the depot containers.

To use the Ocean Plastic Depot, please message us using our contact form on our website at oceanplasticdepot.ca, email us at info@oceanplasticdepot.ca or email alys@oceanlegacy.ca.