



**Frequently Asked Question
Foam Recycling**

1. Can I put my foam in the recycling container at my house?

No, at this time, Collier County does not offer curbside foam recycling. The foam must be taken to a recycling drop-off center to be recycled.

2. Will I have to pay to recycle foam at the recycling centers?

No, the foam will be collected for recycling free of charge.

3. Can I still throw my foam away in the trash?

Yes, the foam recycling program is encouraged but entirely optional.

4. Can both residential and commercial customers drop off foam?

Yes, all customers may participate in the foam recycling program.

5. What type of foam can I bring in to recycling centers?

All foam collected in this program will be a foam #6 product. These include foam cups, disposable foodservice products, foam beverage coolers, foam packaging, medical cooler products, egg cartons and meat/vegetable trays. These items need to be rinsed out and brought to a recycling center drop-off center. Packaging peanuts are made with a variety of materials and are a contaminant to our processing operations. For that reason, packaging peanuts cannot be accepted for recycling in our program. Check with your local shipping stores for possible packaging peanut reuse.

6. What happens to the foam?

Collier County processes the foam into blocks and sells back to third party companies that use it to make products.