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Category	Material	Definition
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Printed Paper</b></p> <p>All Printed Paper for use by consumers distributed through retail distribution, subscriptions and mass mail delivery</p>	Newsprint	<p>Includes all newspaper printed paper materials.  <u>Examples:</u> Newspaper publications, newsprint inserts and flyers, newsprint park guide, newsprint auto or real estate supplement  <u>Excludes:</u> Newspaper used as product packaging would be included in the boxboard and other paper packaging subcategory</p>
	Magazines and catalogues	<p>Includes magazines (bound periodicals printed on glossy paper that typically include a masthead), catalogues (bound glossy paper containing product lists), or other similar printed and bound material (light or medium weight coated paper).  <u>Examples:</u> Weekly magazine, retailer seasonal catalogue, travel magazines, bounded glossy promotional brochures and guides  <u>Excludes:</u> Posters, Purchased calendars</p>
	Directories	<p>Includes printed directories of residential and/or business information such as telephone numbers, postal codes and websites. Typically these are distributed annually.  <u>Examples:</u> Phone book  <u>Excludes:</u> Product manuals (this would be included in the other printed materials subcategory)</p>
	Other Printed Materials	<p>Includes all other printed paper/materials that may be distributed to homes, and is not included in the printed paper categories above.  <u>Examples:</u> Blank and printed envelopes; Promotional inserts within envelopes; Printed information found within packaged products such as assembly instructions, user guides, promotional information, warranty cards, product safety information and coupons; Annual policy information including policy documents, statements; Monthly, quarterly or annual statements; Investment fund reports, fund prospectus; Contracts; Free promotional calendars; Lottery tickets and fund raising tickets; Cash register receipts  <u>Excludes:</u> Soft or hard covered fiction or non-fiction books or textbooks; Purchased copier/printer paper; Greeting cards purchased individually or in bulk; Blank envelopes purchased in bulk; Day timers; Personal medical records; Notebooks; Purchased calendars; Clothing hang tags (this would be included in the boxboard and other paper packaging subcategory)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Paper Packaging</b></p>	Gable top containers – non-beverage	<p>Includes non-beverage polycoated cartons.  <u>Examples:</u> Sugar, confectionary products, laundry and cleaning products</p>
	Gable top containers – beverage	<p>Includes polycoated cartons.  <u>Examples:</u> Ready to serve beverages such as milk and juice in cartons</p>








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<b>Paper Packaging (continued)</b>	Aseptic containers – non-beverage	Includes polycoated and foilized boxes. <u>Examples:</u> Soup, sauces	
	Aseptic containers – beverage	<u>Examples:</u> Ready to serve beverages such as juice, milk	
	Paper Laminants	Includes laminated paper packaging that is in majority paper (51% by weight). This includes metalized foil/paper/plastic laminants where paper represents the greatest percentage by weight. In the event that there are 2 or more components, 60% of packaging has to be paper for the material to be considered a paper laminate. <u>Examples:</u> Fiber cans (with metal/plastic bottom and lid), fiber pots, wrappers, blister package, paper hot/cold drink cup, paper ice cream carton	
	Corrugated cardboard	Includes all cardboard/corrugated packaging and kraft paper shopping bags that contain other closely bonded, impregnated or laminated materials that cannot be easily separated <u>Examples:</u> Television box, pizza box, paper carry out bag	
	Boxboard and other paper packaging	Includes boxboard or fiber board containers, molded pulp paper packaging as well as other paper packaging which contain other closely bonded, impregnated or laminated materials that cannot easily separated. <u>Examples:</u> Cereal boxes, egg cartons, formed trays, tissue paper box, clothing hang tags, newspaper used as packaging material (i.e. in shoes or gift packaging)	
<b>Plastic Packaging</b>	<b>Resin Codes</b>		
	PET bottles < 5 Litres – non-beverage		Includes #1 <u>bottles and jars only</u> . All other forms of PET should be entered as Other Rigid Plastics. <u>Examples:</u> Salad dressing bottles, peanut butter
	PET bottles ≥ 5 Litres – non-beverage		Includes #1 <u>bottles and jars only</u> that are > 5 Litres. PET Bottles < 5 Litres should be entered as PET bottles. All other forms of PET should be entered as Other Rigid Plastics or Other Rigid Plastics > 5 Litres. <u>Example:</u> water bottles






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<b>Plastic Packaging (continued)</b>	PET bottles < 5 Litres – beverage	 PET	Includes #1 Ready to serve <u>beverage bottles only</u> . <u>Examples:</u> soft drinks, water bottles
	PET bottles ≥ 5 Litres – beverage	 PET	Includes #1 <u>beverage bottles only</u> that are > 5 Litres. Beverage PET Bottles < 5 Litres should be entered as Beverage – PET Bottles. <u>Example:</u> water bottles
	HDPE bottles and jugs < 5 Litres – non-beverage	 HDPE	Includes #2 <u>bottles, jugs and jars only</u> . All other forms of HDPE containers should be entered as Other Rigid Plastics. <u>Examples:</u> Laundry detergent, bleach, vinegar, shampoo
	HDPE bottles and jugs ≥ 5 Litres – non-beverage	 HDPE	Includes #2 <u>bottles, jugs and jars</u> > 5 Litres. HDPE Bottles and Jugs < 5 Litres should be entered as HDPE Bottles and Jugs. All other forms of HDPE should be entered as Other Rigid Plastics or Other Rigid Plastics > 5 Litres. <u>Examples:</u> laundry detergent, bleach
	HDPE bottles and jugs < 5 Litres – beverage	 HDPE	Includes #2 Ready to serve <u>beverage bottles and jugs only (e.g. juice, milk)</u> .
	HDPE bottles and jugs ≥ 5 Litres – beverage	 HDPE	Includes #2 <u>beverage bottles and jugs</u> > 5 Litres. Beverage – HDPE Bottles and Jugs < 5 Litres should be entered as Beverage – HDPE Bottles and Jugs.
	Polystyrene	 PS	Includes all rigid forms of #6 plastic and foam. <u>Examples:</u> Hot drink cup, clamshell containers, foam packaging (i.e. for appliances), foam packing “peanuts”


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<b>Plastic Packaging (continued)</b>	Other rigid plastic < 5 Litres – non-beverage	 <p>Includes all formed rigid plastic containers that are <b>not included</b> in the PET, HDPE or Polystyrene categories. These include #1, #3, #4, #5 and #7 jugs, tubs, lids, closures, trays, bottle pumps, cups, tubes etc. <u>Examples:</u> Margarine tubs, hand cream tubes, 'microwaveable' trays, pudding cups, plastic blister packaging</p>
	Other rigid plastic ≥ 5 Litres – non-beverage	 <p>Includes all rigid plastic containers that are not included in the PET or HDPE &gt; 5 Litre categories. These include #1, #3, #4, #5 and #7 jugs, tubs, pails &amp; lids &gt; 5 Litres. <u>Example:</u> Pails</p>
	Other rigid plastic < 5 Litres – beverage	 <p>Includes all formed rigid plastic containers that are <b>not included</b> in the Beverage – PET and HDPE categories. These include #4, #5 and #7 bottles and jugs. <u>Example:</u> Juice</p>
	Other rigid plastic ≥ 5 Litres – beverage	 <p>Includes all formed rigid plastic containers that are <b>not included</b> in the Beverage – PET and HDPE &gt; 5 litre categories. These include #4, #5 and #7 bottles and jugs. <u>Example:</u> Juice</p>
	LDPE/HDPE film	 <p>Includes polyethylene film/wrap only, where film is not less than 95% by weight. It is typically stretchy and more porous than other types of film. All other film that is not LDPE/HDPE should be allocated to the Plastic Laminants category. <u>Examples:</u> frozen vegetable bag, milk bag, shrink wrapped products (i.e around 24 water bottle tray) <u>Excludes:</u> Foam wrap and expanded film</p>

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<b>Plastic Packaging (continued)</b>	LDPE/HDPE film carry-out bags		Includes polyethylene film carry-out bags only (similar to cling wrap with some differences in thickness). It is typically stretchy and more porous than other types of film. All other film that is not a LDPE/HDPE film carry-out bag should be allocated to the LDPE/HDPE film category. <u>Example:</u> plastic shopping bag
	Plastic Laminants – non-beverage		Includes other flexible plastic wraps, bags liners, expanded foam and wrap including PET, PVC, PP, multi-layered and laminated flexible packaging. Includes metalized foil/paper/plastic laminants where plastics represent the 50% or more by weight. <u>Examples:</u> Pouches for fresh pasta, dry pasta packaging, candy wrappers, coffee pouches, cheese wraps, cereal liner bags, pre-packaged deli meat pouches, bubble wrap
	Plastic Laminants – beverage		Includes other flexible multi-layered and laminated flexible plastic packaging plastic. Includes metalized foil/plastic laminants where plastics represent the 50% or more by weight. <u>Examples:</u> Beverage pouches
	Biodegradable plastic film		Includes film consisting of natural or a combination of natural and synthetic polymers that is largely based on renewable resources. These include packaging made of starch, cellulose, sugarcane, Polylactic Acid or Polylactide (PLA), Polyhydroxyalcanoates (PHA), etc. <u>Examples:</u> shopping bag, vegetable bags, food films, mailing films
	Biodegradable rigid plastic containers – non-beverage		Includes non-beverage containers consisting of a natural or combination of natural and synthetic polymers that is largely based on renewable resources. These include packaging made of starch, cellulose, sugarcane, Polylactic Acid or Polylactide (PLA), Polyhydroxyalcanoates (PHA), etc. <u>Examples:</u> trays, pails, lids
	Biodegradable rigid plastic containers – beverage		Includes beverage containers consisting of a natural or combination of natural and synthetic polymers that is largely based on renewable resources.
<b>Steel and Other Metal Packaging</b>	Aerosol containers		Includes all aerosol containers that are more than 50% by weight of steel. <u>Examples:</u> Air freshener cans, paint and solvent spray cans, deodorant and hairspray cans
	Paint cans		Includes all sizes of paint cans that are more than 50% by weight of steel. <u>Examples:</u> Paint cans, driveway sealant cans, rust coating cans

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<b>Steel and Other Metal Packaging (continued)</b>	Other steel and metal containers and packaging – non-beverage	Includes all other containers that are more than 50% by weight of steel or other metal. <u>Examples:</u> Food cans (i.e. soup), lids and closures
	Other steel and metal containers and packaging – beverage	Includes all other containers that are more than 50% by weight of steel or other metal. <u>Examples:</u> Ready to serve beverages such as can of juice.
<b>Aluminum Packaging</b>	Aluminum – food cans	Includes sealed, rigid containers lids for food products. Does not include aluminum aerosol containers (this would be included in the foil & other aluminum packaging subcategory) <u>Examples:</u> Pet food cans, sardine cans
	Aluminum cans – beverage	Includes sealed, rigid containers aluminum beverage cans <u>Examples:</u> Ready to serve beverages such as juice and soft drink can
	Foil and other aluminum packaging	Includes semi-rigid foil trays, lids, seals and aluminum tubes, caps, screw on lids and aluminum aerosol containers that are at least 95% aluminum <u>Examples:</u> Foil wrap, pie plates, yogurt/sour cream seals, frozen lasagna trays, aluminum mousse or hair spray cans
<b>Glass Packaging</b>	Clear (flint) glass – non-beverage	Includes clear glass container packaging that is 50 % or more of glass by weight with the exception of Pyrex, ceramics or crystal. <u>Examples:</u> Pickle jars, salsa jars
	Clear (flint) glass – beverage	Includes clear glass container packaging that is 50 % or more of glass by weight with the exception of Pyrex, ceramics or crystal. <u>Example:</u> Ready to serve beverages such as juice, wine, spirits, water
	Coloured glass – non-beverage	Includes coloured (e.g. green, brown, blue etc.) glass container packaging that is 50% or greater of glass by weight with the exception of Pyrex, ceramics or crystal. <u>Examples:</u> Olive oil bottles, balsamic vinegar
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**Note:** - The weight of LDPE/HDPE carry-out bags units is to be included in LDPE/HDPE film carry-out bags  
- Notwithstanding the definitions above, MMSM requires that Stewards report on DPPP in accordance with how the material is managed in the municipal waste system.