

# SOUTHERN SCRAP COMPANY INC

*Recycling Today for  
Tomorrow's Future*

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## WHY DO WE ASK ?

Materials theft has become an overwhelming problem in Florida and across the country. Southern Scrap Co, Inc. is diligent in its effort to cooperate with law enforcement to reduce metal theft and assist in catching those responsible.

In October of 2008, the Florida State Legislature enacted revisions to FS 538.19 **requiring** Scrap Metal Dealers and Secondary Metals Recyclers to collect the following information from individuals recycling regulated materials:

- Name, current residential address, phone number, date of birth, height, weight, and any distinguishing marks
- The vehicle year, make, model, color, and tag number of the vehicle transporting the material, including trailer if applicable.
- Current employment information for the person selling the material, including company name, address, and telephone number.

In July of 2012, the Florida Legislature enacted the following changes to FS 538:

- *Defines “personal identification card” as a valid Florida driver license, identification card issued by DHSMV, an equivalent identification issued by another state, a passport, or an employment authorization issued by the USBCIS that contains the person’s photograph and current address.*
- *Requires Secondary Metals Recyclers to transmit a record of all purchase transactions to law enforcement daily.*
- *Establishes **Restricted Regulated Metals Category** and prohibits the purchase of restricted regulated metals in cash.*
- *Requires payment for the purchase of restricted regulated metals be made by check issued to and made payable to the seller and mailed to the seller’s address within three days.*
- *Prohibits the purchase of regulated material from any seller who:*
  - \* *uses a name other than his/her own name.*
  - \* *is younger than 18 years of age.*
  - \* *is visibly or apparently under the influence of drugs or alcohol.*
  - \* *fails to provide reasonable proof of ownership*

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**We appreciate your continued patience as we comply with these changes.**

# WHAT CAN I RECYCLE?

## ALUMINUM

Common recycled aluminum items are cans, window frames, railings, siding, wire (bare and insulated), automobile rims, radiators, and cast automobile parts. Aluminum is accepted as clean or unclean. To be considered clean, the material cannot have any non-aluminum attachments or coatings. In order for the material to be considered "prepared", the pieces should be smaller than 2'x4'

## BRASS

Common recycled brass items are radiators, keys, pipes, faucets, and bathroom fixtures. Brass is accepted as clean or unclean. To be considered clean, the material cannot have any non-brass attachments or coatings.

## COPPER

Common recycled copper includes residential or commercial air conditioning coils (copper/aluminum mix), wire (bare or insulated, such as extension cords), piping, tubing, and sheet. Copper is accepted as clean or unclean. To be considered clean, the material cannot have any non-copper attachments or coatings.

## LEAD

Common recycled lead items are sheets, wheel weights, and boat keels.

## FERROUS (IRON)

Common ferrous items are I-beams, trailer frames, lawn mowers, railings, poles, pipe, plate, automobile bodies, or frames. To be considered prepared, ferrous material should be no larger than 2'x5'.

## STAINLESS STEEL

Common recycled stainless steel items are sinks, tables, and commercial restaurant equipment components.

If you have a specific question about your material, please contact our office at 850-438-3197 during normal business hours. Thank you for choosing to recycle with Southern Scrap Company, Inc.

## \*\* COMMONLY RECYCLED ITEMS \*\*

**AEROSOL CANS** ----- Cannot be accepted  
**APPLIANCES** ----- Compressors must be properly evacuated or removed. White goods must also be free of PCB-containing capacitors and ballasts and mercury containing components.

**BALLASTS** ----- Can only be accepted if they are labeled "NO PCB'S"

**BARRELS / DRUMS** --- Must be triple rinsed, crushed, and free of all non-metal residual material or fluids.

**BATTERIES** ----- Cannot be accepted

**BEER KEGS** ----- Only accepted with written approval from the manufacturer

**COMPRESSED/LIQUIFIED GAS CYLINDERS AND VESSELS** ----- Must be cut in half

**ELECTRONICS** ----- Cannot be accepted

**HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT** -- Any hoses must be removed. Any and all fluids must be drained. Any cylinders or tanks must be cut in half.

**LIGHTING FIXTURES** -- Must be free of ballasts and/or capacitors. See also, RESTRICTED MATERIAL

**PLUMBING FIXTURES** - Specifically, back-flow prevention devices and water meters are accepted from pre-certified suppliers only.

**SHELLS/MUNITIONS** -- Cannot be accepted

**TAR COATED MATERIAL** -- Cannot be accepted

**TANKS** ----- Above or under-ground storage tanks must have a minimum of 3 sq. ft. hole at one end and be thoroughly cleaned of liquids and gases. Must be odor free.

**TIRES** ----- Accepted only when attached to an automobile. A deduction for disposal will be taken.

**VEHICLES, WHOLE** -- Must be free of gas tank, battery, mercury switches, and all fluids (coolant, oil, power steering fluid, anti-freeze, transmission fluid, etc). Must have valid title.

## RESTRICTED MATERIALS: WHAT ARE THEY?

Effective July 1, 2012, the State of Florida created the classification of Restricted Regulated Materials. These Restricted materials must be accompanied by proof of ownership. The following is a list of these materials:

- \* Manhole Covers, Storm Grates, and Guard Rails
- \* Street signs, traffic signs, or traffic signals including fixtures and hardware.
- \* Funeral markers/vases or Historical markers.
- \* Metallic wire that has been burned in whole or in part to remove insulation.
- \* Brass or bronze "fire department connection and control valves".
- \* Brass or bronze backflow preventer valve or water meter.
- \* Brass sprinkler head used in commercial agriculture.
- \* Shopping carts.
- \* Electric light pole or other utility structure and/or its fixtures, wires, and hardware that are readily identifiable as connected to the utility structure.
- \* Communication, transmission, distribution, and service wire from a utility, including copper or aluminum bus bars, connectors grounding plates, or grounding wire.
- \* Railroad equipment, including but not limited to, tie plates, signal house, control boxes, switch plates, E clips, or rail tie junctions.
- \* Any metal item that is observably marked upon reasonable inspection with any form of the name, initials or logo of a governmental entity, utility company, cemetery, or railroad.
- \* A copper, aluminum or aluminum-copper condensing or evaporator coil, including its tubing or rods, from an air-conditioning or heating unit, excluding window units or motor vehicles units.
- \* Aluminum or stainless steel container or bottle designed to hold propane for fueling forklifts or stainless steel beer kegs.



## DID YOU KNOW?

~ It takes 32 - 12oz. aluminum cans to equal one pound.

~ the aluminum beverage can chills faster and stays colder longer than any other beverage container.

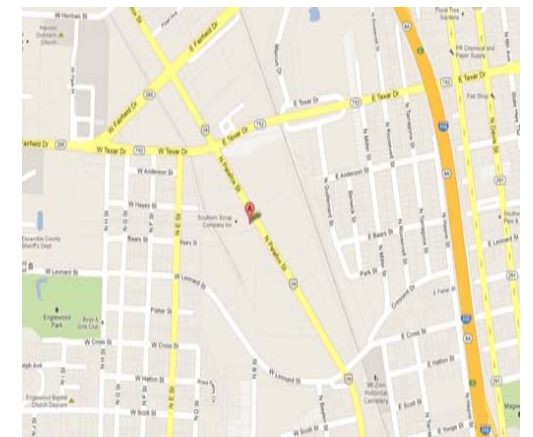
~ one recycled aluminum can saves enough electricity to operate a TV for 3 hours.

~ a used aluminum can is recycled and back on the grocery shelf in as little as 60 days.

~ recycling one car saves more than 2,500 lbs. of iron ore, 1,400 lbs. of coal and 120 lbs. of limestone.

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Visit our recycling office, conveniently located on North Palafox Street [Hwy. 29 North], just off of Interstate Highway I-110. The Recycling Center is equipped with large parking spaces for unloading and weighing, plus an electronic digital read-out scale that'll get you in, unloaded, weighed, & paid in a snap!



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