

# Recycling Relay Race

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## The Adventure:

Keep the planet clean by putting litter in its place! Let's find out where different kinds of litter should go. What goes in the garbage? What can be recycled?

With some help from your Scouters, set up a recycling relay race. Each Lodge can race against the others. The first to sort all of its litter wins!

## Things we need:

- Clean litter (pop cans, newspapers, magazines, cereal boxes, plastic bags, old clothing, broken toys, and so on)
- Recycling bins (blue boxes)
- Garbage cans



## Safety note:

- The litter for this race should not have sharp edges. There are some items you should avoid having in your litter pile, such as cans that have been cut open and glass bottles or jars which could break when dropped.
- Wear gloves, and remember to wash your hands after your race.

## Online Resources:

- [The Three R's](#)
- [Most Extreme Challenge](#) (recycling game)

## Plan:

- With your Scouters, talk about what can be recycled in your community.
- How is recycling sorted in your community?
- How should you set up your sorting race? How far apart will your bins and garbage cans be?
- What are the rules of your race?
- Agree on what you and your friends are going to do

## Do:

- On your marks, get set... Go! Sort your litter as fast as you can!

## Review:

- What do you know now that you did not know before?
- How can you encourage others to recycle?
- Why is it important to recycle?
- What in your pile could you re-use without taking it to the recycling depot?
- How is this stuff recycled anyway? Is there a recycling depot in your community that you can visit to learn more?