

# Increase Profits by Offering Your Customers More Service: Collect Plastic Film



Most businesses that generate cardboard also generate plastic, film or flexible sheets of plastic. Film often takes up a significant portion of the commercial waste stream (by volume). There are strong markets for film. If the film is #2 or #4 plastic and is free of contaminants and moisture, it typically has a high scrap value.



Go to [www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org) for information on the following:

- Buyers of scrap film (and examples of buyer specifications)
- Film identification
- Signage & bins for retail collection
- Tip sheets on how to collect and store film
- Calculator to determine economics of recovery
- Plastic bag recycling fact sheet



Let your customer know they can reduce their disposal costs if they separate and bag their clean, dry film. Consider collecting film in the followings ways:

- Bagged film with loose or baled cardboard
- Separately baled film and baled cardboard
- Film and cardboard baled together

Consider providing customers with the following:

- Tip sheet on how to collect and store film
- Clear bags for them to store separated film
- Storage bins
- Signage
- Calculator tool



If you collect film, get listed on the free online resource that connects generators and recyclers. Go to [www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org) to the Recycler Section, email [help@plasticbagrecycling.org](mailto:help@plasticbagrecycling.org), or call (888) 753-7485.

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