## **Important Service Information**

February 26, 2018

Dear Thompson's Sanitary Service Customer,

Due to the Republic of China's *National Sword Act*, announced July 2017 with an effective date of January 1st, 2018, twenty four (24) recyclable items are now banned from import to their country. The good news is China is trying to clean up their environment; the bad news is this severely impacts our recycling efforts because China has been the primary market for the West Coast.

We are now forced to clean up our recycling stream to keep our existing recycling markets. In that effort, as of March 1st, we can no longer accept plastics #3-7 or shredded paper in your blue mixed recycling cart. It is critical your recycling stay clean to keep the market viable.

## PLASTIC #1 & 2 BOTTLES are still recyclable

Put plastics #3-7 in your landfill/garbage cart as well as plastics #1 & 2 that are NOT bottles. You can find the number in the middle of a chasing arrows symbol on the bottom of the container (see right).



We know Newportians love to recycle and Thompson's is counting on all of you to help us in this effort. Please post the enclosed, updated WASTE 101 guide in your recycling area.

It is likely there will be more changes in the future to recycling, so please continue to read all information from us. Any changes will first be posted to our website, **thompsonsanitary.com** along with direct mail to our customers, notifications through the newspaper and radio, as well as on our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts.

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