



Recycled Materials
Association

PE Clear Film (Grade B)

Description: Any mix of polyethylene film, Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE) or Linear Low-Density Polyethylene (LLDPE), totaling at least 80% clear or natural polyethylene film is acceptable. Films may be coded with ASTM D7611 resin identification code “#4, LDPE/LLDPE.” Up to 20% by weight of color and printed polyethylene film is acceptable.

Product: Polyethylene film

Source: Sorted film generated after meeting its intended use from commercial establishments

Contamination: Total contamination should not exceed 10% by weight.

ALLOWABLE CONTAMINANTS AT LOW LEVELS: These contaminants are tolerable at low levels. The following contaminants should not exceed 2% by weight of any of the following “individual” contaminants, unless noted otherwise.

- HDPE (#2) film (10% allowable)
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- Lightly labeled (no more than 2 or 3 labels on each piece film) or lightly printed film (less than 5% of surface covered in ink)
- Plastic strapping and rubber bands
- Rigid or foam PE (HDPE #2 or LDPE #4)
- Loose paper, cardboard (OCC), including cardboard endcaps
- Moisture residues

CONTAMINANTS NOT ALLOWED: If present, these contaminants may result in rejection.

- Heavily labeled or printed film
- Any non-PE films, metallized, or multi-material pouches
- PE film packaging exposed to hazardous materials, such as flammable, corrosive or reactive products, pesticides or herbicides
- Silicone coated film
- Film with oxo or bio-degradable additives, PVDC layers, or acrylic coatings
- Any rigid plastic bottle, container or packaging including PET (#1), HDPE (#2), PVC (#3), PP (#5), PS (#6), Other (#7) and compostable plastic (e.g. PLA and PHA)
- Any bulky rigid plastic
- Any non-PE plastic foam
- Food waste
- Free-flowing liquids
- Textiles
- Metal, Wood, Glass
- Batteries

- Electronics scrap, including items with circuit boards or battery packs
- Bio-Medical waste/items (e.g. syringe, sharps, gloves, masks)
- Rocks, stones, mud, oils, grease

General: Refer to the General Information section for additional information.

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