

# **Sort it Smart Instructions**

Sorting garbage can be a daunting task, especially with a group of students. The Sort it Smart lists with Yes / No columns will help you and the students proceed smoothly through the waste audit. At Brightwater, the lists are laminated onto file folders that stand up on the table or can be put up on the walls for quick reference.

The lists are not complete, but reflect a portion of the type of waste that can be generated at the Brightwater Camp. Use these lists as guides keeping in mind a couple of things:

1. The recycling industry is constantly changing. New government regulations may change what can and cannot be recycled today. The lists reflect what is currently the situation in Saskatoon.
2. What is composted at the Brightwater Camp may differ slightly from what can be composted at home in the city or in a rural setting.
3. The plastics industry is changing all the time. The best thing to do when sorting garbage is to always look for the voluntary plastic industry recycling triangle. Inside it there is a number that will indicate the type of plastic.
4. Reducing waste to begin with is one of the best ways to have less garbage to manage.