

MUST BE REMOVED



Creamers Buttermilk Yogurt

Kefir Meal Replacements Chai Latte



NO CRUSHED CANS/BOTTLES
BARCODE MUST BE LEGIBLE



ST JOHN THE DIVINE, COURTENAY

RETURN-IT EXPRESS EXPRESS & GO

HOW TO:

- Separate returnables from recyclables
- Bag and tag your returnables
- Deliver to Return-it Depot

COURTENAY – 493 Puntledge Rd (3 options)

- Tagged bags - drop in Express window (inside the door to the right)
- Untagged bags – print a tag first by entering phone# in key pad: **250-334-4331**
- No bags – sort bottles/cans yourself and take them to the counter. Ask that the return be credited to St John the Divine Church with this code: **615**

COMOX - 215 Port Augusta St (must have tag-must have mobile)

- Text this code to the phone# on the sign: **LB13**
Watch for return text with a new code. Enter the new code on the pin pad to unlock the door. Drop your tagged bag inside.

FREE MONEY and PLANET SAFE

WHAT HAPPENS TO ALL THESE CONTAINERS?

Good question. Every beverage container you return is recycled and put to good use again. Listed below are recycling processes for the most common container types, along with the story of how each container takes on a new life.

ALUMINUM CANS



These cans are baled, melted and back on the shelf again as new cans within six weeks. Not only does this save a lot of aluminum, it saves energy too: in fact, it takes 93% less energy to manufacture a recycled can than it does to make a new one.

PLASTIC CONTAINERS



Plastic bottles are shredded and power-washed right here in BC or Alberta. The shredded plastic is then sold to companies who pull, stretch and meld it to make new bottles and other products. This process provides an 86% energy savings over manufacturing new plastic.

GLASS BOTTLES



Ground down into small pieces (called "cullet") and used to manufacture a whole bunch of stuff: wine bottles, fibreglass insulation, sandblasting material, sand for golf courses, and as aggregate for asphalt.

DRINK BOXES & CARTONS



Once returned, drink boxes and cartons are hydra-pulped to separate the paper, plastic and foil. The pulp is then used to make tissue paper, cardboard boxes and other products. This process recovers thousands of tonnes of paper each year; for every tonne of paper pulp recycled, approximately 17 trees are saved.

LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT THESE AND OTHER REFUNDABLE BEVERAGE CONTAINER TYPES ARE RECYCLED INTO AT RETURN-IT.CA/BEVERAGE/PRODUCTS

HOW MUCH ARE EMPTY BEVERAGE CONTAINERS WORTH?

If the container was sold in BC and a deposit was paid, it can be returned to an Encorp Return-It™ Depot for the following refund:



For a full listing of all containers that can be returned to a Return-It Depot, visit return-it.ca/beverage/products/. Some milk and plant-based beverages are not included such as infant formula, meal replacements, concentrates and products like whipping cream and drinkable yogurt.

WHERE CAN I RETURN MY EMPTY CONTAINERS?

Simply visit return-it.ca/locations to find a Return-It location nearest you, along with hours of operation and a map to help you get there. There are over 170 Return-It Depots conveniently located throughout BC. Plus, now you can return your beverage containers without sorting or counting at a Return-It Express location, Express Plus location, or an unstaffed, solar-powered Express and Go container! Sign up and learn more at return-it.ca/express



Tear off and save this handy chart:

READY-TO-DRINK BEVERAGE CONTAINERS INCLUDED IN THE RETURN-IT SYSTEM.



	ALUMINUM The most commonly used individual serving container.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE TAB ON
	METAL CANS Any metal container other than aluminum ranging from small single serve cans to large tomato and apple juice cans.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE LABEL ON LEAVE CAP ON
	PLASTIC BOTTLES The familiar plastic soft drink and water bottles including coolers and some spritzers. Containers may be clear or coloured.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE LABEL ON LEAVE CAP ON
	OTHER PLASTIC JUGS AND CUPS Clear or tinted, opaque plastic, and vinyl containers.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE LABEL ON LEAVE CAP ON
	GLASS BOTTLES The everyday glass juice and beverage bottles as well as wine, beer, and coolers. Tinted and clear.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE LABEL ON TAKE CAPS OFF*
	BAG-IN-A-BOX Large bags of wine in a cardboard carton, usually with a spigot for in-fridge use. Both the bag and the box must be returned.	Instructions: LEAVE BAG IN BOX
	POLYCOAT CONTAINERS Aseptic drink boxes and coated "gable top" drink cartons.	Instructions: RINSE LEAVE CAP ON PUSH STRAW IN
	POUCHES Laminated juice pouches with a small membrane for inserting a straw.	Instructions: EMPTY CONTENTS PUSH STRAW IN

*The caps on glass beverage containers are often made of metal or plastic. Please recycle these caps with the appropriate material stream, i.e., metal caps with metal containers; plastic caps with plastic containers.