

## **Never Place Plastic Bags In Your Recycling Bin!**

The Authority would like to remind residents that **plastic bags should NEVER be placed in your curbside recycling bin\***. Do not bag your recyclables. Plastic bags and other plastic film often get wound around and stuck in sorting equipment (as pictured above), causing significant mechanical problems at recycling centers.

Clean & dry plastic film (grocery bags, bubble wrap, case overwrap, bread bags, cereal bags, etc) can be recycled in a special drop off bin at most large retail stores (Hannaford, Macy's, Price Chopper, Tops, Target, Walmart etc.).

If you are unable to deliver plastic film to one of these locations for recycling, **please place plastic bags in your regular garbage for proper disposal.**

\*There is ONE exception to the no bag rule: shredded paper must be placed in a clear plastic bag and set out with your regular recyclables. This allows us to manually remove these bags from the sorting line, keeping the material separated before being processed and shipped to paper recycling mills.

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