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Newspaper

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WHAT IS IT?

Newspapers are printed on newsprint. Other uses for newsprint include advertising inserts, flyers, newspaper supplements and telephone directories. According to the Pulp and Paper Dictionary, newsprint is defined as "a grade of paper combining high percentages of groundwood and/or mechanical pulps made especially for the printing of newspapers."

WHERE CAN YOU RECYCLE NEWSPAPER?

Residents can recycle old newspapers through municipal curbside collection programs or local recycling depots. Businesses may have newspapers picked up by private recyclers.

QUICK FACTS

In 1989 there was only one mill capable of making recycled-content newspaper - today there are over 25 in Canada.

2,000,000 copies of the Sun and Province, made of 10% recycled content, are printed each week for Lower Mainland readers.

In 1999, 88,000 tonnes of paper were recycled in the GVRD.

15 de-inking plants exist in Canada including one in Coquitlam, B.C.

4 times is the maximum number of times a paper fibre can be recycled, so virgin pulp is always required. Paper fibres gradually break down with every trip through the pulping process.

70,000 standard size newspaper pages are made from one metric tonne of newsprint.



