

## HOW TO PREPARE YOUR SILAGE PIT COVERS FOR RECYCLING

Farmers need to take some simple steps to prepare silage plastic for recycling:

- For silage plastics recycling to work effectively, you need to keep the plastic free of contaminants (e.g. excessive dirt, large solids or rocks).
- For bale wrap, we use recycling bins with a clear liner so that the used plastics can be contained and recyclers can check for contamination. The liners are made of the same type of plastic as the silage plastic so it can all be recycled together.
- Because of its size and weight, pit silage plastic can be prepared for recycling in two ways. It can be cut into smaller pieces then placed in the bin and liner system provided. Or it can be "cleaned" of excess dirt and large solids/rocks and folded into large bundles.



Step 1:

Place the liner in the bin and ensure there is plenty of overhang to tie the liner off when filled.



## Step 2:

Cut pit cover into strips (approx. one metre wide) and shake to remove excess dirt and any stones or other large solids.

Step 3:





Step 4:





Fold up plastic tightly and pack firmly in bin liner. **Note: Please store bale wrap and pit silage plastic separately.**  Instead of using bin, strips of pit covers can also be folded up tightly and tied off in large bundles for collection or drop-off. Once bin is full, tie off with plastic (do not use metal wire) and set aside for drop off or collection.

YES 🖋 Silage plastic

NO 🗱 Net wrap, twine, rocks, metal, other plastics/waste, dead animals!

Thank you for supporting silage plastic recycling!