Paper recycling



What types of paper end up in the garbage and where do they come from ?

The papers that can be recycled:

the newspapers
the advertisements
the catalogs
the envelopes
the notepads
the sheets...

The papers that can't be recycled :

the towels the tissues the papers that have received a chemical treatment (tracing paper, gift paper, wallpaper...)

Does it matter if it is mixed ?

Cellulose is the material which is used in the recycling process



What happens if paper is recycled with non-paper materials?



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Check local guidelines : may vary depending on country, region and town.

Never recycle plastic or metal alloy coated paper

How paper is collected in the different countries ?



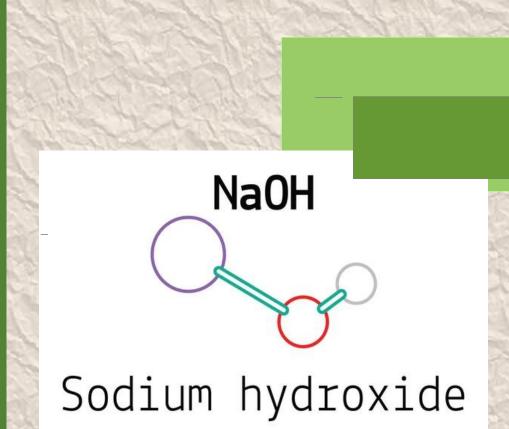
The recycling process



What is happening during the recycling process of paper ?

 Products used separately complicates and delays the de-inking process

- Excessive water use : 10 liters of water for a single sheet of paper and 35,000 liters of water for 1 ton of paper
- Products used (e.g. caustic soda): flammable, harmful to workers and has limited effectiveness



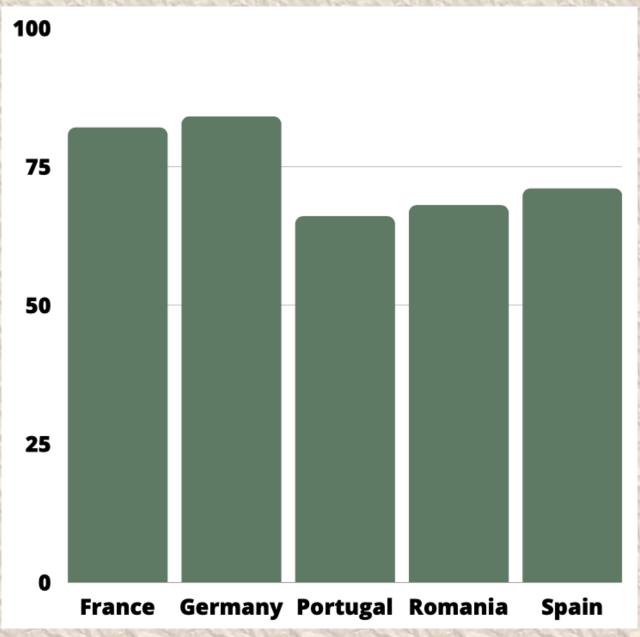
What percentage of energy is saved by recycling paper compared to new production?

To produce one ton of paper, it takes :

- . 1.41 tons of wood ;
- 48.2 m³ of water;
- . 10250 kWh of energy which emits 0.04 tons of CO2;
- . 25 times more chemical waste.

Recycling one ton of paper saves 4100 kWh

Paper recycling uses 60% of the energy needed to make paper from scratch.



https://www.statista.com/statistics/1033512/recycling-rate-ofpaper-and-cardboard-packaging-waste-in-the-eu-by-country/ France : 82% Germany : 84% Portugal : 66% Romania : 68% Spain : 71%

Paper recycling rate

How to make paper recycling as efficient as possible?

Do not wishcycle!

CEPI: Separate paper collection



NO PLASTIC BAGS OR GARBAGE BAGS!



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Problems and opportunities for improvement in the recycling of paper

- Digitization of documents : problems due to storage in data centers and melting glaciers
- Print as few things as possible or double-sided
- Use as little paper as possible, for example by drying your hands with a dryer



