








| Symbol | Acronym | Full name and uses |
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|  | PET | Polyethylene terephthalate - Fizzy drink bottles and frozen ready meal packages. |
|  | HDPE | High-density polyethylene - Milk and washing-up liquid bottles |
|  | PVC | Polyvinyl chloride - Food trays, cling film, bottles for squash, mineral water and shampoo. |
|  | LDPE | Low density polyethylene - Carrier bags and bin liners. |
|  | PP | Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, microwaveable meal trays. |
|  | PS | Polystyrene - Yoghurt pots, foam meat or fish trays, hamburger boxes and egg cartons, vending cups, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys. |
|  | Other | Any other plastics that do not fall into any of the above categories. For example melamine, often used in plastic plates and cups. |