Waste Symbol Quick-Reference Sheet

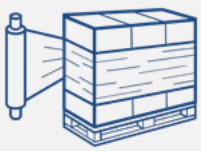
For Resellers: Match Customer Needs to the Right Symbol

Customer Says...	Typical Areas	Recommend Symbol	Likely Volume	Best Models
"We've got general waste covered"	Next to waste hotspots	Add Cardboard / Mixed Recycling / Plastic Only	High	• Add 1 - 2 symbols next to General Waste
"Cardboard everywhere"	Pick & Pack, Despatch, Retail Back-of-House	Cardboard	High	• Standard (end-of-aisle, high volume) • Rollcage (break down packaging while moving, replenishment and shelf-stocking) • Clear (visible stream in shared areas)
"Strapping all over the floor"	Goods In, Pallet Breakdown	Plastic Strapping	Medium	• Nano (on forklifts/pallet trucks = collect as you go) • Standard (pallet breakdown point) • Rollcage (mobile strapping capture) • Clear (visible stream to prevent contamination)
"Shrink wrap nightmare"	Goods In	Shrink Wrap	High	• Standard (high-volume wrap at Goods-in) • Nano (collect wrap on the move) • Rollcage (replenishment routes and back-of-house) • Clear (keeps streams obvious)
"Need office recycling"	Desks, Print Areas, Admin	Mixed Paper & Card	Low-Medium	• Mini (desk/print areas) • Nano (end-of-desk, quick add-on)
"Picking station plastic"	Assembly, Packing Benches, Workstations	Plastic Only	Medium	• Mini (bench-side, frequent small waste) • Trolley (multiple stations, collect while moving) • Standard (if near racking end)
"Breakroom recycling"	Canteen, Shared Areas	Mixed Recycling	Low	• Mini (small shared areas) • Standard (busier canteens, fewer empties)
"Need to stay compliant"	Goods In, Pick & Pack, Despatch	Start with 2-3 symbols in the highest waste zones and expand later	Varies	• System approach (match symbols to zones and workflows)

Symbols

Cardboard
Packaging breakdown (usually high volume)

Mixed Paper & Card
Office/admin paper waste



Shrink Wrap + Strapping
Goods-in quick wins

Mixed Recycling
Shared areas

Best Results
come from matching symbols to zones

Models

Standard
Best for fixed, high-volume hotspots (racking ends / goods-in)

Clear
Best where visibility/ contamination control matters

Mini
Best for workstations and desks (low to medium volumes)

Nano
Best for waste created on the move (forklifts, pallet trucks)

Rollcage
Best for mobile replenishment & packaging breakdown (warehouses and supermarkets)

Trolley
Best for multi-station collection (packing/ assembly lines)

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