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Corrugated boxes are commonly used to carry heavier products such as appliances, electronic goods, fruit and vegetables, wine. They are frequently used as a bulk shipper, delivering many similar products in the same box.



Appliances



Wine



Fruit and Vegetables

KEY FEATURES

Made from a renewable resource (wood):

By law, Canadian provinces require that harvesters of the commercial forest regenerate the forest by new tree-planting and direct seeding, and natural regeneration. On average, over 1,000 new tree seedlings are planted in Canada every minute.



Independent, third-party certification of paper fibre sources:

All PPEC-member mills producing corrugated box material have independent, third-party certification that their paper fibre sources (whether wood chips and sawmill residues or recycled fibres) are responsibly sourced.





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High in recycled content:

Most corrugated boxes manufactured in Canada are 100% recycled content, made from old boxes collected from supermarkets and factories or from curbside.



Recyclable:



Some 96% of Canadians now have access to the recycling of old corrugated boxes, and its national recycling rate is estimated to be 85 per cent. The industry is urging provinces to ban old corrugated from landfill so that more can be recovered for recycling.

Compostable:

Most paper materials, including old corrugated boxes, are compostable. For soiled paper and for the 3% of corrugated that is waxed to keep products fresh, composting is sometimes a better option than recycling.



For More Detailed Information: go to Corrugated Boxes Canada www.corrugateboxescanada.org.