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# BURRTEC NEWS

## WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for Adelanto Commercial, Roll Off and Multifamily Customers

### HOW ARE BUSINESSES AFFECTED?

Under SB 1383, businesses are required to:

- Subscribe to organic waste collection service provided by Burrtec.
- Provide information to new tenants before or within 14 days of occupation of the premises.
- Prohibit employees from placing organic waste in a container not designated to receive organic waste.
- Ensure employees, contractors, tenants, and customers have access to an adequate number, size and location of containers with appropriate labels and container color.
- Provide containers for the collection of all waste streams including trash, food waste and recyclables in all areas where disposal containers are provided for customers, except for restrooms.
- Annually provide information to employees, contractors, tenants, and customers about organic waste collection requirements and proper sorting of organic waste.

### Food Waste Acceptable Items

- ✓ Bones
- ✓ Bread & grains
- ✓ Coffee grounds
- ✓ Cooked meat & poultry
- ✓ Cooked seafood
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Eggshells
- ✓ Food soiled paper
- ✓ Fruits
- ✓ Plate scrapings
- ✓ Tea bags
- ✓ Vegetables



### Contact Information

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**Automated Payment Service**  
(888) 298-5161

**Customer Service**  
(760) 245-8607

**Hours of Operation**  
Monday-Friday  
8:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Website**  
Burrtec.com



### Holiday Schedule - No service on these holidays

- Christmas Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Memorial Day
- New Year's Day
- Thanksgiving Day

When the holiday falls on a weekday, collections for the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day. There is no service interruption or delay when the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday.

### Edible Food Donation Requirements

To comply with SB 1383, commercial edible food generators are required to 1) divert organics from the landfill and 2) recover the maximum amount of their edible food that would otherwise go to landfills. To reduce food waste and address food insecurity, businesses are now required to arrange to donate edible food to food banks, soup kitchens, and other food recovery organizations and services to help feed Californians in need. Recovery of edible food applies only to commercial food waste generators that meet the tier 1 or tier 2 standards.

#### How does my location become compliant?

Step 1:



Secure written agreements or contacts with food recovery organizations that receive your donation.

Step 2:



Begin donating excess edible food.

Step 3:



Maintain donation records at business location to be submitted to your city.

#### Are you a Tier 1 or Tier 2 generator?

Tier 1	Tier 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supermarkets</li> <li>• Grocery Stores: total facility size equal to or greater than 10,000 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Food Service Providers</li> <li>• Food Distributors</li> <li>• Wholesale Food Vendors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restaurants 250+ seats, or a total facility size equal to or greater than 5,000 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Hotels with on-site food facility and 200+ rooms</li> <li>• Health facility with an on-site food facility and 100+ beds</li> <li>• Large venue</li> <li>• Large event</li> <li>• State agency with cafeteria with 250+ seats or total facility size equal to or greater than 5,000 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Local education agency with on-site food facility</li> </ul>
Deadline to fulfill SB 1383 requirements: <b>January 1, 2022</b>	Deadline to fulfill SB 1383 requirements: <b>January 1, 2024</b>

## Did You Know?

California disposes of enough plastic to fill 284 Olympic pools every day!

- Source: cdfa.ca.gov

## Recycle Right!

Place these types of materials in your recycling container.

- ✓ Aerosol cans (completely empty)
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Cereal boxes (no wax paper lining)
- ✓ Computer paper
- ✓ Coupons
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Glass cosmetic bottles
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Laundry bottles
- ✓ Magazines/catalogs
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ Paper tubes
- ✓ Phone books
- ✓ Plastic containers
- ✓ Plastic milk jugs
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Tissue boxes
- ✓ Wrapping paper



## Contamination of Recyclables Could Result in a Penalty Fee



Trash and other contaminants in the recycling or organics collection container(s) could result in a fee and non-collection due to contamination. If contamination is found, contamination tags (as shown to the right) will be affixed to the container lid. After the first warning, customers will be charged a contamination fee and the container will not be serviced as recyclable; it will be subsequently serviced as trash. Please note: the contamination fee will be automatically assessed if hazardous or biohazardous materials are placed in any collection container. Not sure about what goes in each container? Information is on the Burrtec website Burrtec.com or call Burrtec Customer Service at (760) 245-8607 for assistance. As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation!



## Mandatory Commercial Recycling - Is Your Business in Compliance?



Senate Bill 1383 mandates all businesses and multi-family residential dwellings to establish and maintain recycling service. Recycling not only conserves our natural resources, but can save money by reducing waste disposal costs. Burrtec recycling coordinators can assist in selecting the appropriate recycling service level, along with the necessary education and outreach to residents and managerial staff. Please contact Customer Service for more information at (760) 245-8607.

## Attention Food Service Providers



Existing state law requires businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more or 2 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week to implement a recycling or organics recycling program. Assembly Bill 827 requires food establishments that provide trash containers for products purchased and consumed on the premises to also provide properly labeled containers for recyclables and organic waste (food waste) for materials purchased on the premises for immediate consumption. These containers must be placed adjacent to trash containers.

### Requirements:

- AB-827 requires collection containers at the front to be visible, accessible and labeled.
- This law affects businesses that sell products that are meant for immediate consumption.
- Full-service restaurants where employees bus and clean tables are exempt but most provide labeled collection containers adjacent to trash containers for employees/staff to separate post-consumer recyclables and organics.

## Scavenging is Illegal

Whether it's called dumpster diving or scavenging, it is the unauthorized removal of solid waste materials. Removal of materials from a bin may increase the cost of collection services. Materials placed in a recycling bin have a value that is used to offset collection and processing costs. When a scavenger breaks the law and removes those materials they are also removing any value associated with the recycling program, which ultimately affects costs. If you see a scavenger, do not approach them! Report illegal activity to local law enforcement. Also, please help us help you. Do not give permission to scavengers to take recyclables.



## Senate Bill 1383 and your Business

California passed a law, Senate Bill 1383, with a goal to improve air quality by reducing negative emissions from food waste and landscape waste being delivered to landfills. This law requires businesses and multifamily complexes, as well as residential customers, to recycle their food waste and landscape waste. It also requires edible food generating businesses such as grocery stores, food service distributors, supermarkets and restaurants to provide the edible food (that would otherwise be disposed) to organizations that will redistribute it. For more information, please visit: <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/>

### Organic Materials

Food Waste



Landscape Waste

