

BURRTEC NEWS

WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

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Enclosure Maintenance

Follow these simple tips to keep your business enclosures clean:

- Break down all cardboard. This helps prevent overflow that causes the wheels to get stuck and helps save room in the recycle bin for more recyclables.
- Pick up litter in and around your enclosure and parking lot. Ensure that no litter enters the streets or the storm drain system.
- If your bin is full before your next scheduled pickup, you can call Burrtec and request an additional pickup for an extra fee.
- Do not fill dumpster bins or compactors with liquid waste or hose it out. Keeping liquids out helps reduce leakage into the surroundings as well as reduces odor.
- Sweeping the enclosure instead of using water not only conserves valuable resources but also helps prevent debris and contaminants from entering the storm drain system. Please note that hosing out enclosures is strictly prohibited and may result in citations and fines.



MISSING BARRELS

The State of California has passed laws regulating the disposal and processing of Solid Waste including Trash, Recyclables and Organics. In turn, local jurisdictions have now mandated the separate collection and processing of these materials.

While metal bin containers are less likely to be stolen, barrels can be easily rolled away or placed in a vehicle. Please keep barrels in a locked enclosure/building or secure them with a lock and chain to a fixed structure until service day and re-secure them once service is completed. Please contact customer service to provide your key/lock combination for the container.

Please note, Burrtec does not supply the lock/key.

Please be aware that you are ultimately responsible for securing these containers and replacement costs will be charged to your account for missing or damaged containers.

IMPORTANT!

We recently observed contamination in your container checked below:

☐ **1. Trash**
Such as animal waste, plastic bags, wrappers, diapers
→ **GRAY/BLACK CONTAINER ONLY**

☐ **2. Recyclables**
Paper, plastic, glass, metal, paper and cardboard
→ **BLUE CONTAINER ONLY**

☐ **3. Food Waste**
Includes food-soiled paper
→ **BROWN CONTAINER ONLY**

☐ **4. Green Waste**
Must be unbagged
→ **GREEN CONTAINER ONLY**

☐ **5. Electronics or Hazardous Waste**
Batteries, paint, electronics are not allowed in any container!
→ **NOT ALLOWED IN ANY CONTAINER**

Please note: contamination may lead to the container not being serviced and/or will be on your account. Please call our office if you have any questions. Thank you!

☐ GRAY/BLACK ☐ BLUE ☐ GREEN ☐ BROWN

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State Required Contamination Monitoring of Recyclables

California state law Senate Bill (SB) 1383 requires jurisdictions to monitor trash, recycling, and organics barrels to minimize contamination. 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 left) will be affixed to the container lid. After the second notice, customers may be charged a contamination fee and the container will not be serviced as recyclable and/or organics; it will be subsequently serviced as trash. Please note: the contamination fee will be automatically assessed if hazardous or bio-hazardous materials are placed in any collection container. Not sure about what goes in each container? Contact our Burrtec Customer Service at (909) 889-1969 for assistance. As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

Holiday Schedule

Please note that services are interrupted on the following holidays:

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



SENATE BILL 1383 ORGANICS DIVERSION AND RECYCLING

ARE YOU IN COMPLIANCE?



WHY IS ORGANIC WASTE A PROBLEM?

- The state agency CalRecycle reports that organic waste in landfills accounts for 20 percent of the methane gas generated in California which contributes to public health and safety concerns such as asthma. Methane emission reduction helps in combating climate change.

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ALL BUSINESSES OR PROPERTIES?

Businesses and multifamily properties are required to:

- Subscribe to trash collection service and recycling and/or organic waste collection services provided by Burrtec, unless approved for a self-haul exemption or de minimis or space constraint waiver. (Solid waste collection containers must be provided by Burrtec. If lost or stolen, customers are responsible for container replacement cost).
- Annually provide information to employees, contractors, tenants, and customers about recycling, organic waste collection requirements and proper sorting of materials.
- 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.
- Provide information to new tenants before or within 14 days of occupation of the premises.
- Prohibit employees from placing recycling and organic waste in a container not designated to receive those materials types.

EDIBLE FOOD GENERATOR TIPS TO REDUCE FOOD WASTE

Here are some ways businesses can reduce food waste:

- Plan and track:** Plan meals based on demand and track waste to identify areas for improvement.
- Menu design:** Create menu specials that use ingredients that are close to their expiration date. Remove items that don't sell well.
- Staff training:** Train staff on how to minimize food waste, including proper temperature management and stock rotation.
- Store food properly:** Store food in the refrigerator and use airtight containers for grains.
- Reduce packaging:** Use reusable items and reduce packaging.
- Compost and recycle:** Compost and recycle food waste.
- Monitor production:** Weigh food at each stage of production to identify and correct production loss.

YOUR SORTING GUIDE - WHAT GOES WHERE?

Black Bin/Barrel is for trash



BAG ALL TRASH - DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE

BLACK CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Cactus
- ✓ Clothing
- ✓ Diapers
- ✓ Dishware
- ✓ Flower pots
- ✓ Hoses
- ✓ Pet food bags
- ✓ Plastic bags or wrap
- ✓ Pet waste
- ✓ Plastic toys
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Shrink wrap
- ✓ Soiled paper products
- ✓ Straws
- ✓ Wipes

NO

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Hot ashes
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Fluorescent bulbs
- ✗ Food waste
- ✗ Landscape waste
- ✗ Machinery
- ✗ Paint
- ✗ Pesticides
- ✗ Oil
- ✗ Recyclables
- ✗ Sharps
- ✗ Tires

Green Bin/Barrel is for green waste



DO NOT BAG GREEN WASTE

GREEN CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Birds of paradise
- ✓ Dead plants
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Palm fronds
- ✓ Prunings & twigs
- ✓ Shrub trimmings
- ✓ Small branches
- ✓ Untreated wood
- ✓ Weeds

NO

- ✗ Animal waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Cactus
- ✗ Concrete
- ✗ Dirt
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Flammables
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Metal
- ✗ Plastic
- ✗ Rocks

Blue Bin/Barrel is for recyclables



DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES

BLUE CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Aerosol cans (empty)
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Catalogs
- ✓ Computer paper
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper products
- ✓ #1 - #7 Plastics
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Tissue boxes
- ✓ Wrapping paper

NO

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Bubble wrap
- ✗ Carpet
- ✗ Clothing
- ✗ Diapers
- ✗ Dishware
- ✗ Electronic waste
- ✗ Furniture
- ✗ Hoses
- ✗ Mirrors
- ✗ Pet food bags
- ✗ Plastic bags or wrap
- ✗ Plastic toys
- ✗ Soiled paper products
- ✗ Stuffed animals
- ✗ Wax paper

Brown Bin/Barrel is for food waste



DO NOT BAG FOOD WASTE

BROWN CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Coffee grounds
- ✓ Cooked meat and bones
- ✓ Dairy
- ✓ Eggshells
- ✓ Fish
- ✓ Food soiled paper & cardboard*
- ✓ Food waste and scraps
- ✓ Fruit
- ✓ Moldy or spoiled food
- ✓ Vegetables

NO

- ✗ Aluminum foil
- ✗ Bottles and cans
- ✗ Cooking oil
- ✗ Electronics
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Hazardous waste
- ✗ Landscape waste
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Plastic
- ✗ Raw meat & poultry
- ✗ Raw seafood
- ✗ Trash

* Such as paper towels and napkins.