



# Summer 2025

## THE COUNTY QUARTERLY

### WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

### Contact Information

#### Burrtec Waste Industries

250 Elks Lane  
Barstow, CA 92311

#### Automated Payment Service

(888) 298-5161

#### Customer Service

(760) 256-2730

#### Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday  
8:00 am to 5:00 pm

#### Website

Burrtec.com

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### Holiday Schedule

No service on these 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.*

### Can I Take it to the Landfill?

Item	Yes	No	Restriction
Refrigerators	✓		No Freon left in
Tires	✓		Max 9, off rim, additional fee applies
Paint		✗	
Hazardous wastes such as liquid, semi-solid or solid wastes which are toxic, corrosive, flammable, explosive, infectious, an irritant, or a strong sensitizer (causing allergic reaction), and which constitute a high degree of hazard to beneficial air, water and ground uses *		✗	
Liquid waste in any form (septic waste is accepted at Landers and Barstow landfills)		✗	
Sealed containers of any type		✗	
Hot ashes or burning materials		✗	
Items over ten (10) feet in length at landfills and over four (4) feet in length at transfer stations		✗	
Items containing mercury and/or lead such as household batteries, watch-type batteries, fluorescent tubes, thermostats and thermometers*		✗	
Medical Waste including sharps		✗	
Any waste not acceptable for disposal at a Class III disposal site		✗	
Treated Wood Waste	✓		@ Mid-Valley And Victorville sites only
Waste from outside of San Bernardino County		✗	
Televisions, computer monitors or other devices containing a Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) at sites without a scale house		✗	

### Top 5 Items to Keep **OUT** of Your Recycling Cart

Here are the 5 top items that should never be placed in your recycling cart:

1. **No Garden Hoses.** Despite being made from rubber, vinyl or a combination of both, this item still belongs in the garbage container.
2. **No Diapers.** Diapers should be placed in your garbage container.
3. **No Hazardous Waste.** This means no paint, motor oil, batteries, syringes, needles, etc. Hazardous Waste puts our trucks and facility at risk and should not be placed in your garbage cart either. Visit [www.sbcfire.org/hhw](http://www.sbcfire.org/hhw) to locate your nearest hazardous waste collection center.
4. **No Pet Food Bags.** The wax coating prevents the bags from breaking down in the recycling process, so pet food bags go into the garbage container.
5. **No Electronic Waste.** These items are best recycled through bulky item drop-off or a collection event.



### Temporary Containers for Special Clean-Ups Available

Burrtec offers large and small containers for residential clean-ups and special projects. Containers are available for seven-day rentals and include delivery and removal. All unwanted materials can be placed directly into the container with the exception of hazardous waste, tires or large amounts of dirt, rock, concrete or asphalt. Please call our Customer Service Department to order one today!

# Household Hazardous Waste

Many households generate hazardous waste that is dangerous or illegal to dispose of in the trash and can also be harmful to the environment. Here is a list of the following items that are considered hazardous waste and should be disposed at a HHW location. These services are FREE for San Bernardino County residents only.

- Collection Facilities **Will Accept** Household Generated:
- Weed Killers, Cleaners, Gasoline, Antifreeze
  - Wood Preservatives, Paints & Paint Products, Paint Thinner
  - Auto & Furniture Polish, Chemical Drain Cleaners
  - Pesticides & Fertilizers, Pool & Hobby Supplies
  - Auto & Household Batteries
  - Motor Oil, Oil Filters
  - Electronic Waste Collection available throughout San Bernardino County. Call 1-800-Oily Cat for nearest location.
  - Outdated Medications
  - Sharps/Needles in approved container (not accepted at all locations)
  - Mercury Thermostats



- Collection Facilities **Will Not Accept:**
- Business Wastes
  - Wastes from Non-Profit Organizations
  - Radioactives
  - Explosives
  - Medical Waste
  - Asbestos
  - Refrigerant cylinders
  - Treated wood waste
  - Auto injectors
  - Reactive waste
  - High watt-hour Li-Ion batteries
  - Large compressed gas cylinders
  - Remediation, construction, and demolition waste
  - Large appliances (A/C, refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, etc.)



**Collection Facilities - Call 909.382.5401 or 1.800.OILY CAT (645.9228) to verify operating hours prior to visiting a collection center.**

## TIPS TO PREVENT FOOD WASTE AT HOME

- **Plan ahead:** Before you go to the grocery store or order out, check the fridge and pantry for food items that need to be cooked or that you already have and do not need to purchase.
- **Serve smart:** Aim to cook and serve the right portions for the number of people you are feeding.
- **Store food wisely:** Different foods require different conditions.
- **Check your fridge often:** Keep track of what you have and what needs to be used. Eat or freeze items before you need to throw them away.
- **Use your freezer:** Your freezer can help save food and time.



Your recycling efforts contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from landfilled organic waste. This includes methane, a greenhouse gas 80 times more potent than carbon dioxide.

*Tear off here, save and place on your fridge!*

## REMINDER: RECYCLE RIGHT!

# YOUR BARREL GUIDE - WHAT GOES WHERE?

**Black Barrel** is for trash



**DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

### BLACK BARREL GUIDE

- | YES                        | NO                  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| ✓ Cactus                   | ✗ Batteries         |
| ✓ Clothing                 | ✗ Electronic waste  |
| ✓ Diapers                  | ✗ Hazardous waste   |
| ✓ Dishware                 | ✗ Hot ashes         |
| ✓ Flower pots              | ✗ Flammables        |
| ✓ Food waste               | ✗ Fluorescent bulbs |
| ✓ Grass clippings/branches | ✗ Infectious waste  |
| ✓ Pizza boxes              | ✗ Landscape waste   |
| ✓ Plastic bags or wrap     | ✗ Machinery         |
| ✓ Pet food bags            | ✗ Paint             |
| ✓ Pet waste                | ✗ Pesticides        |
| ✓ Clothing                 | ✗ Oil               |
| ✓ Plastic toys             | ✗ Recyclables       |
| ✓ Plastic utensils         | ✗ Sharps            |
| ✓ Shrink wrap              | ✗ Tires             |
| ✓ Soiled paper products    |                     |
| ✓ Straws                   |                     |
| ✓ Wipes                    |                     |

**Blue Barrel** is for recyclables



**DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES**

### BLUE BARREL GUIDE

- | YES                    | NO                      |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| ✓ Aerosol cans (empty) | ✗ Batteries             |
| ✓ Aluminum cans        | ✗ Bubble wrap           |
| ✓ Brochures            | ✗ Carpet                |
| ✓ Cardboard            | ✗ Clothing              |
| ✓ Cartons              | ✗ Diapers               |
| ✓ Catalogs             | ✗ Dishware              |
| ✓ Computer paper       | ✗ Electronic waste      |
| ✓ Envelopes            | ✗ Furniture             |
| ✓ Glass bottles & jars | ✗ Hoses                 |
| ✓ Junk mail            | ✗ Mirrors               |
| ✓ Newspaper            | ✗ Pet food bags         |
| ✓ Paper products       | ✗ Pizza boxes           |
| ✓ #1 - #7 Plastics     | ✗ Plastic bags or wrap  |
| ✓ Styrofoam            | ✗ Plastic toys          |
| ✓ Tin cans             | ✗ Soiled paper products |
| ✓ Tissue boxes         | ✗ Stuffed animals       |
| ✓ Wrapping paper       | ✗ Wax paper             |