Fall 2026
THE COUNTY QUARTERLY
WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

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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.

Scavenging is Against the Law

Scavenging is the removal of recyclable materials placed at a designated location for the purpose of collection and recycling by an authorized agent.

- For your safety, do not confront the scavenger.
- Get a description of the person and a vehicle description including license plate.
- Report the crime by contacting local Law Enforcement.



The Holidays are Soon Approaching



Burrtec will collect and recycle Christmas trees from single-family residences. Please place your tree at curbside after Christmas on your collection day. Burrtec will provide this service for approximately 3 weeks after Christmas Day. Trees 6' and over need to be cut in half. Please take all ornaments, lights, and metal stands off of the tree. Flocked and Non-Flocked trees will be collected and recycled.



Extra Holiday Waste

Approximately 80% of your holiday trash is recyclable. All gift boxes, wrapping paper, greeting cards, and cardboard packaging are items that may be placed in your recycling barrel. Burrtec will collect your excess holiday trash and recyclables. Beginning the day after Christmas for approximately 1 week, place excess holiday trash/recyclables in bags alongside your containers on your collection day.

How to Safely Dispose of Sharps at HHW County Facilities

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY RESIDENTS can safely dispose of their used SHARPS in a 2 gallon or smaller, heavy-duty, plastic container as an alternative to plastic bio-hazard sharps containers at participating Household Hazardous Waste Collection facilities. Containers should only contain needles, lancets, and syringes with a needle attached that must be completely spent (no liquid remaining, including EpiPens).

HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN CONTAINER:

- Place sharps into an Approved Sharps Container or 2 gallon or smaller heavy-duty plastic container
- Do not use food product containers
- Must have a screw-top and puncture resistant lid
- Made of thick plastic
- 2 gallons or less
- Leak-resistant
- Remain upright when standing
- Place printed Bio-Hazard Label on both sides
- When ¾ filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed



DO NOT USE FOR SHARPS:



For more information and locations, call 1-800-Oily Cat (645-9228) or visit sbcfire.org/hhw

Print FREE labels by visiting sbcfire.org/hhw Preprinted labels are available at HHW collection facilities

Moving? Need to Close Your Burrtec Account?

Please follow the steps below to ensure your account is properly closed and billing is reflected accurately:

- Contact Burrtec Customer Service at (909) 889-1969 to notify them of your move and your requested final service date.
- Provide Burrtec with a forwarding address for final statement.
- If large/bulky items need to be collected, be sure to schedule a bulky item collection early to ensure the service is completed in time.
- Follow up to confirm account is paid in full.

Collection Day Reminder

On collection day, please place your containers in the street, at the curb, or near the corner of your driveway. Handles of your containers should be facing your home. Containers should be placed 1 foot apart from each other and need to be placed at least 3 feet away from any obstruction such as a fence, mailbox, or vehicle.

All containers must be curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your service day.

Bulky Item Pick-Up

Residents can request up to two curbside collections of large or bulky items during a 12 month period at no additional charge. Limit of **FIVE** items per collection! This program also includes electronic waste and is designed for your convenience. Please call our Customer Service Department one week prior to your scheduled collection day to arrange pick-up.

Acceptable Items Include:
- ✔ Couches
- ✔ Dressers
- ✔ Refrigerators
- ✔ Washers/Dryers
- ✔ Mattresses

Non-Acceptable Items:
- ✗ Car bodies
- ✗ Construction debris
- ✗ Commercial waste
- ✗ Rock
- ✗ Concrete



Get a Free Doggie Waste Bag for You and a Friend

Step 1: Visit **FreeDoggieBags.com**

Step 2: Request a **FREE** canister

Step 3: Send a **FREE** canister to a friend

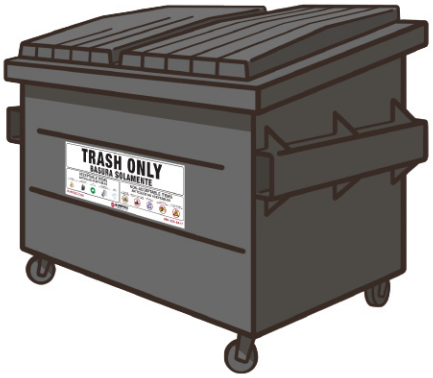
Step 4: Use your canister to pick up after your dog anytime, anyplace!



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY STORMWATER PROGRAM
WHERE WATER MEETS COMMUNITY

Thanks for being a responsible pet owner and contributing to a beautiful San Bernardino County.

Temporary Containers for Special Clean-Ups Available



Burrtec offers large and small containers for residential clean-ups and special projects. Containers are available for 7-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!

Living with Wildlife Tips

You can help keep your neighborhood clean by doing the following:



- Avoid placing trash out on windy days.
- Put trash cans out the morning of collection day.
- Store trash in the garage if possible.
- Do not leave pet food or water outside.
- Trim ground-level shrubbery to reduce hiding places.
- Pick-up fallen fruit from the ground.
- Be sure to place your trash into a large trash bag and tie it closed before placing in the barrel. This will make clean-up efforts easier should the barrels tip over.
- A variety of products are available to prevent wildlife access to human food sources, please visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Keep-Me-Wild/Products to learn more.

Sustainability Update

The California Senate passed a bill to **improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. CalRecycle** reports that landfilled organic waste (including green waste and food waste) decomposes in landfills and generates greenhouse gases contributing to global climate change. Residences and commercial businesses in your area are within a census tract that has been granted a Senate Bill 1383 low population waiver and therefore there will be no change to your current service.

SCAN TO LEARN MORE

Senate Bill 1383 requires a **75% reduction in organic waste disposal statewide**.

What Can You Do to Help Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions?

Tips and tricks to help prevent creating green waste and food waste:

- Grasscycling- learn more at CalRecycle.ca.gov/Organics/GrassCycling
- Food Waste prevention tips- learn more at savethefood.com

Additional steps you can take to manage your green waste and food waste:

- Taking green waste and food waste to nearby community composting sites
- At-home composting. Did you know that the San Bernardino County Solid Waste Management Division (SWMD) gives out free backyard compost bins to unincorporated County residents?