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THE COUNTY QUARTERLY WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

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8:00 am to 5:00 pm

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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.

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.

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		✗	

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 $\frac{3}{4}$ filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed



DO NOT USE FOR SHARPS:



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

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

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!



Bulky Item Pick-Up

Are you replacing an old sofa, water heater or refrigerator and don't know what to do with it? We'll take care of it. Residents can request up to two curbside collections of large or bulky items during a calendar year. Limit of five items per collection. This program also includes electronic waste. This program is at no additional cost and designed for your convenience. Please call our Customer Service Department one week prior to your scheduled collection day to arrange pick-up. This collection does not include concrete, rock, dirt or construction/ demolition materials.



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 by 2025**.

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) sells backyard compost bins at a reduced rate to unincorporated County residents? Contact the SWMD Main line at (909) 386-8701 for more information.

Living with Wildlife Tips

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

- Avoid placing trash and recycling out on windy days.
- Put trash cans out the morning of collection day.
- Store trash and recycling 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.

