

# Spring 2024

## THE COUNTY QUARTERLY

### WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents



**We've moved!**  
Come see us at our new location!

### 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.

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

### How to Collect Food Waste at Home

- Collect-** Begin collecting food waste separate from your trash and recycling. This includes: fruits, vegetables, meats, seafood, bread, dairy, eggshells, coffee, plate scrapings, peels, rinds, and food soiled paper such as napkins and coffee filters.
- Add & Secure-** Collect food waste & food soiled paper in its own separate plastic bag. Store it in a convenient place, such as on your counter top, in your refrigerator or under your sink. Secure plastic bag by tying it off. Remember bags do not have to be compostable or biodegradable. They can be any color. We encourage you to re-use bags you may already have such as bread bags and produce bags.
- Discard-** Place your bagged food waste & food soiled paper into your green barrel, along with your green waste. Continue using your green waste barrel as usual. Remember, food waste no longer belongs in your trash barrel.



### REMINDER: RECYCLE RIGHT!

Tear off and keep handy to recycle right!

## YOUR BARREL GUIDE - WHAT GOES WHERE?

**Black Barrel** is for trash



DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE

#### BLACK BARREL GUIDE

- | YES                | NO                  |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| ✓ Clothing         | ✗ Batteries         |
| ✓ Diapers          | ✗ Electronic waste  |
| ✓ Dishware         | ✗ Hazardous waste   |
| ✓ Flower pots      | ✗ Hot ashes         |
| ✓ Hoses            | ✗ Infectious waste  |
| ✓ Plastic bags     | ✗ Flammables        |
| ✓ Pet waste        | ✗ Fluorescent bulbs |
| ✓ Pizza boxes      | ✗ Machinery         |
| ✓ Plastic toys     | ✗ Paint             |
| ✓ Plastic utensils | ✗ Pesticides        |
| ✓ Shrink wrap      | ✗ Oil               |
| ✓ Straws           | ✗ Sharps            |
| ✓ Wipes            | ✗ Tires             |

**Blue Barrel** is for recyclables



DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES

#### BLUE BARREL GUIDE

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

**Green Barrel** is for green waste & food waste



#### REMINDER!

Bag your food waste and place in your green barrel!

BAG FOOD WASTE - DO NOT BAG GREEN WASTE

#### GREEN BARREL GUIDE

- | YES                 | NO                 |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| ✓ Bagged food waste | ✗ Animal waste     |
| ✓ Birds of Paradise | ✗ Batteries        |
| ✓ Dead plants       | ✗ Cactus           |
| ✓ Flowers           | ✗ Concrete         |
| ✓ Food soiled paper | ✗ Dirt             |
| ✓ Grass clippings   | ✗ Electronic waste |
| ✓ Leaves            | ✗ Flammables       |
| ✓ Palm fronds       | ✗ Glass            |
| ✓ Prunings & twigs  | ✗ Hazardous waste  |
| ✓ Shrub trimmings   | ✗ Liquids          |
| ✓ Small branches    | ✗ Metal            |
| ✓ Untreated wood    | ✗ Plastic          |
| ✓ Weeds             | ✗ Rocks            |

## Earth Day Everyday!

We can make Earth Day everyday through small changes that have a big impact. Make sure you are recycling correctly. Keep the Recycling List on your refrigerator for reference. Use reusable bags, instead of single use. Donate used clothes, home goods and small appliances to thrift stores or other charitable organizations that can reuse them. Start a backyard composting pile; this is an inexpensive way to make your own soil amendments for gardening and cuts down on the amount of food waste that goes into your organics barrel. Celebrate Earth by making a commitment to reduce waste, reuse materials and recycle all that can be recycled.



## 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

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.



### DO YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR HOME?



Automotive Fluids  
Batteries  
Cooking Oil  
Fertilizers & Pesticides  
Fluorescent Bulbs

Household Cleaners  
Medicine  
Motor Oil & Filters  
Paint Products  
Pool Chemicals



### PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY!

Take your toxic products to a local waste collection center.

Find your closest location and a full list of items, visit [tootoxictotrash.com](http://tootoxictotrash.com)

\*No business waste accepted. Must be a San Bernardino County resident.



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY STORMWATER PROGRAM  
**WHERE WATER MEETS COMMUNITY**

## Spring Cleaning Tips

- ✓ Flatten cardboard boxes to create more room in your recycling barrel.
- ✓ Do not bag recyclable items.
- ✓ Utilize your bulky item pick-up services for e-waste and large items that do not fit in your trash barrel.
- ✓ No wipes down the pipes! Do not flush wipes or paper towels.
- ✓ Donate any unwanted items that are still in good condition. Remember that leaving donations outside of a closed center is illegal, and illegally dumped items could ultimately end up in the trash.



## SAFELY DISPOSE OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY BY GETTING RID OF YOUR HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS AT YOUR CLOSEST HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION CENTER

### ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS  
(antifreeze, motor oil)



BATTERIES  
(home & car)



COOKING OIL



E-WASTE  
(tv's, printers, etc.)



FERTILIZERS  
& PESTICIDES



FUELS



HOUSEHOLD  
CLEANERS



PAINT  
PRODUCTS



POOL AND SPA  
CHEMICALS



POLISHES  
AND WAXES



You can bring 15 gallons or 125 pounds in containers no larger than 5 gallons per visit.

## IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3!

1. **Keep** products in original containers or properly labeled with a sealed lid.
2. **Secure** products so they won't spill or leak during transport.
3. **Take** them to your nearest collection center. Visit <https://sbcfire.org/collectionfacilities> for HHW site locations.

*\*Material acceptance varies based on location*



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