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What Businesses Need To Know About SB 1383

CALIFORNIA STATE LAW REQUIRES EDIBLE FOOD DONATION

State Senate Bill (SB) 1383 requires commercial edible food generators to donate surplus foods that are still fit for human consumption. Businesses can benefit from our local partners. To learn more visit <https://wp.sbcounty.gov/dph/programs/ehs/charitable-food-service/>

Is My Business a Tier 1?

Edible Food Generators

SB 1383 sets a statewide goal to recover 20% of edible food waste by 2025 to address food insecurity in California and reduce food waste. TIER 1 Commercial and Edible Food Generators must contract with a food recovery organization or service for the collection or drop-off of edible food starting January 1, 2022.

Tier 1 Commercial Edible Food Generators Include:



Supermarkets with gross annual sales of \$2 million or greater.



Grocery stores with a total facility size of 10,000 square feet or more



Food service providers

AB 1826 - Is Your Business Compliant?

AB 1826 Requires commercial businesses and multifamily complexes to recycle their organic waste material such as food and landscape waste. Contact us to schedule a free waste assessment.



Did You Know?



U.S. food waste is estimated to be 30-40% of the food supply and Californians throw away approximately 6 million tons of food waste annually.

- Source: cdfa.ca.gov

Recycle Right!

Place these types of materials in your recycling container.

- ✓ Aerosol cans (completely empty)
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Cereal boxes (no wax paper lining)
- ✓ Coupons
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Magazines/catalogs
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ Paper tubes
- ✓ Phone books
- ✓ Plastic containers
- ✓ Plastic milk jugs
- ✓ Styrofoam
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Wrapping paper



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*



***Due to the 2022 Christmas and 2023 New Year's Day holidays on Sunday, there will be no service interruptions or delays during the holiday weeks.**



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.

Mandatory Commercial Recycling - Is Your Business in Compliance?

Assembly Bill 341 mandates businesses and public entities, generating 4-cubic yards of trash or more and multifamily residential dwellings with five or more units, to establish and maintain recycling service. Recycling helps to conserve our natural resources and landfill space. Burrtec Recycling Coordinators can assist in selecting the appropriate recycling service level, along with the necessary education and outreach to managerial staff. Call our Customer Service office today to schedule a complimentary waste and recycling assessment.



Attention Food Service Providers

Existing state law requires certain qualifying businesses to implement a recycling or organics recycling program. Effective July 1, 2020, Assembly Bill 827 now requires food establishments that provide trash containers for products purchased and consumed on the premises to also provide properly labeled containers for recyclables and food waste for materials purchased on the premises for immediate consumption. These containers must be placed adjacent to trash containers.

The new law applies to limited-service restaurants such as those restaurants where customers order and pay at the counter and bus their own tables after eating. The law will affect restaurants, malls, and other businesses that serve food. Full-service food establishments that do not provide access to trash containers for products consumed on the premises will be exempt, as food workers will likely separate food waste and recyclables in the dish washing areas.



Requirements

- AB 827 requires collection containers at the front-of-house to be visible, accessible, and labeled.
- This law affects businesses that sell products that are meant for immediate consumption.
- Full-service restaurants where employees bus and clean tables are exempt but must provide labeled collection containers adjacent to trash containers for employees/staff to separate recyclables and food waste.

For further information regarding this law, please visit <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/faq>

Sustainability Update

The 2022 FOOD WASTE Recycling Program and YOU!

The California Senate passed a bill to **improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions**. CalRecycle reports that landfilled organic waste (including food waste) decomposes in landfills and generates greenhouse gases contributing to global climate change. Starting in 2022, many California businesses may be required to participate in a Food Waste Recycling Program in order to comply with **Senate Bill 1383**.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE

Senate Bill 1383 requires a **75% reduction in organic waste disposal statewide by 2025**.

All residences and commercial businesses may be required to participate in this program to **recycle organic waste, including food waste**.

Stay tuned for more information about when these new programs may start in your neighborhood.

WHAT ARE THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS?

Supermarkets, grocery stores, food service providers, distributors, or wholesale food vendors have additional edible food recovery requirements such as:

- Not intentionally spoiling edible food that is capable of being recovered by a food recovery organization or service.
- Making arrangements via contract with a food recovery organization or service to recover edible food that would be redistributed for human consumption.

Scavenging is Against the Law

Scavenging is the removal of solid waste 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.

