

# Fall 2025

# THE COUNTY QUARTERLY **WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER**

Sponsored by Burrtec Waste Industries for San Bernardino County Residents

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# 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.

# **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.

# **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.



Tear off here, save and place on your fridge!

### WHERE? Y O U R BARREL GUIDE WHAT GOES

Black Barrel is for trash



DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Blue Barrel is for recyclables



# **BLACK BARREL GUIDE**

### **YES**

- ✓ Cactus
- ✓ Clothing
- ✓ Diapers ✓ Dishware
- ✓ Flower pots
- ✓ Hoses
- ✓ Plastic bags or wrap
- ✓ Pet food bags
- ✓ Pet waste
- ✓ Pizza boxes
- ✓ Plastic toys
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Shrink wrap
- ✓ Straws
- Wipes

### NO

- × Batteries
- × Flectronic waste
- × Hazardous waste
- × Hot ashes
- × Flammables
- × Food waste
- × Fluorescent bulbs
- × Infectious waste
- × Landscape waste
- × Machinery
- × Paint × Pesticides
- × Oil
- × Recyclables
- × Sharps
- × Tires

### DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES

### **BLUE BARREL GUIDE**

- Cardboard

- Catalogs
- Computer paper
- Envelopes
- Junk mail
- Paper products
- Tissue boxes Wrapping paper

NO

× Bubble wrap

× Batteries

× Carpet

× Clothing

× Diapers

× Dishware

× Furniture

X Flectronic waste

### YES

- Aerosol cans (empty)
- Aluminum cans
- **Brochures**
- Cartons
- Glass bottles & jars
- Newspaper
- #1 #7 Plastics
- Styrofoam Tin cans
- × Hoses × Mirrors × Pet food bags
  - × Pizza boxes × Plastic bags or wrap
  - × Plastic toys Soiled paper products Stuffed animals
  - × Wax paper

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



## **REMINDER!**

Bag your food waste and place in your green barrel!

NO

× Electronic waste

× Hazardous waste

× Flammables

× Batteries

× Concrete

× Cactus

X Dirt

× Glass

× Liquids

× Metal

× Rocks

BAG FOOD WASTE - DO NOT BAG GREEN WASTE

### **GREEN BARREL GUIDE**

### **YES**

- ✓ Bagged food soiled
- paper & cardboard\*
- ✓ Bagged food waste
- ✓ Birds of Paradise
- ✓ Dead plants
- √ Flowers ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Palm fronds
- ✓ Prunings & twigs
- ✓ Shrub trimmings

Weeds

- ✓ Small branches
- × Pet waste ✓ Untreated wood × Plastic
  - \*Such as paper towels and napkins

# **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 3/4 filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed







**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

# What is organic waste?

Organic waste is any material that is biodegradable and comes from either a plant or an animal.

Examples of organic waste include the following material types:

- **Food waste**
- **Food scraps**
- Non-edible food
- Food soiled paper
- Non-hazardous wood waste
- **Green waste** (known as landscape or pruning waste)

# Visit our Kids Corner at

https://www.burrtec.com/kids-corner for free kids activity sheets to download





# **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



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

# **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.



# **How to Collect Food Waste at Home**

- 1. 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.
- 2. Add & Secure- Collect food waste & food soiled paper in its own separate plastic lined container. 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.
- 3. 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.