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Organics Recycling, Are You In Compliance?

Effective 2020, California Assembly Bill 1826 mandates that businesses, public entities, and multifamily residential dwellings (five or more units) generating 2-cubic yards or more of solid waste per week establish and maintain commercial organics recycling service. Organic waste means food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, and non-hazardous wood waste.

The State requirements specify that applicable business waste generators:

- Separate organic waste from other waste and participate in a waste recycling service that includes collection and recycling of organic waste; or
- Recycle its organic waste on site, or self-haul its organic waste off-site for recycling, or;
- Donate to an eligible recipient.

Call our Customer Service office today to schedule a complimentary waste, recycling, and organics assessment.



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, all California residents will be required to participate in a Food Waste Recycling Program in order to comply with **Senate Bill 1383**.

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



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

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

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

Holiday Schedule - No service on these holidays



Christmas Day
Memorial Day

| Independence Day
| New Year's Day

| Labor Day
| Thanksgiving 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.

Make Your Recycling Program a Success!

Ensuring the success of your recycling program depends on a few key elements; most importantly assistance from employees and/or residents.

Here are a few pointers to get you started in the right direction:



Post signage to remind employees and/or residents to recycle specific items (cardboard, paper, etc.). Communication is essential! Newsletters and flyers also reinforce the message.



Placement of recycling containers next to trash containers increases the chances of getting more recyclables into the correct container.

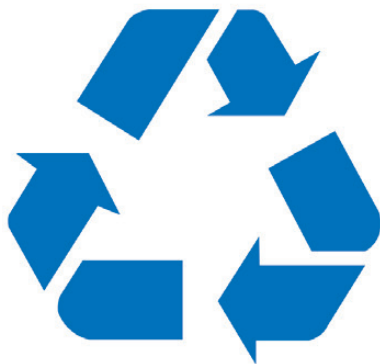


Emptying recycling containers into the proper recycling bin will ensure that your business or multi-family residential dwelling is doing their part to lower costs and reduce landfill waste.



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>

Scavenging is Illegal

Whether it's called dumpster diving or scavenging, it is the unauthorized removal of solid waste materials. Removal of materials from a bin may increase the cost of collection services. Materials placed in a recycling bin have a value that is used to offset collection and processing costs. When a scavenger breaks the law and removes those materials they are also removing any value associated with the recycling program, which ultimately affects costs. If you see a scavenger, do not approach them! Report illegal activity to local law enforcement. Also, please help us help you. Do not give permission to scavengers to take recyclables.

<p>Scavenging is stealing and punishable by law!</p> <p>What is Scavenging?</p> <p>The unauthorized removal of materials from this container.</p>		<p>Hurgar desechos es robar y castigado por ley!</p> <p>¿Que es hurgar desechos?</p> <p>Es el llevarse materiales sin autorización de este recipiente.</p>
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