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WASTE AND RECYCLING NEWSLETTER

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MISSING BARRELS

The State of California has passed laws regulating the disposal and processing of Solid Waste including Trash, Recyclables and Organics. In turn, local jurisdictions have now mandated the separate collection and processing of these materials.

While metal bin containers are less likely to be stolen, barrels can be easily rolled away or placed in a vehicle. Please keep barrels in a locked enclosure/building or secure them with a lock and chain to a fixed structure until service day and re-secure them once service is completed. Please contact customer service to provide your key/lock combination for the container.

Please note, Burrtec does not supply the lock/key.

Please be aware that you are ultimately responsible for securing these containers and replacement costs will be charged to your account for missing or damaged containers.

Help Keep Food Waste Recycling Clean!

Senate Bill 1383 requires a **75% reduction in organic waste disposal**. All residences and commercial businesses are required to participate and **recycle organic waste including food and landscape waste**. Food waste is collected, recycled and made into new products such as compost, mulch and renewable gas. **During the sorting process workers must remove non-acceptable material such as trash, plastic containers, glass and other contaminants.**



Keeping your containers free of contaminants will help sustain recycling costs and keep material clean to create new products.

Spread the message, "Help keep your food waste recycling clean!"

California produces nearly half of the nation's fruits and vegetables, yet 1 in 8 Californians struggle with food insecurity, or lack of access to food that one needs to live a healthy lifestyle.

With the passing of Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), the State of California has mandated surplus food recovery to help combat the effects of methane gas on the environment.

Is Your Business Affected?

TIER 1 Businesses
- Food distributors
- Wholesale food vendors
- Food service providers
- Grocery stores and supermarkets (10,000 square feet or greater)

TIER 2 Businesses
- Hotels with at least 200 rooms and an on-site food facility
- Restaurant facilities (5,000 square feet or larger, or seating more than 250)
- Local education agencies with an on-site food facility
- Healthcare facilities with an on-site food facility and 100+ beds
- Large venues (including shopping centers and malls) and events with 2,000+ daily visitors

SB 1383 edible food inspections are being conducted by Burrtec on behalf of the City. Per the City of San Bernardino's Municipal Code 8.24.095, Mandatory Commercial Edible Food Recovery, and SB 1383 regulation, Tier 1 & Tier 2 businesses must keep the following records for each partnering food recovery organization:

- A copy of contracts or written agreements between the business and the food recovery entity
- The name, address, and contact information of the food recovery agency that food is donated to
- Types of food donated
- The established frequency of food donations
- The quantity, measured in lbs./month, of food donated

FOOD RESCUE RESOURCES

- California Association of Food Banks (cafoodbanks.org)
- Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County Food Bank (capsbc.org)
- Feeding America (Inland Empire) (feedingamericaie.org)
- Food Finder (foodfinder.us)

For more information about SB 1383 edible food donation requirements, visit the County Environmental Health Services website at https://ehs.sbcounty.gov/programs/food-facilities/#charitable-feeding.

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

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.

Commercial Trash, Recycling, and Organic Waste Assessments

Burrtec offers waste assessments at no additional charge to assist our customer's specific business needs and create sustainable long-lasting solutions. Please call customer service at (909) 804-4222 or visit, https://www.burrtec.com/request-services/ to request a waste assessment.



State Required Contamination Monitoring of Recyclables

California state law SB 1383 requires jurisdictions to monitor trash, recycling, and organics barrels to minimize contamination. Trash and other contaminants in the recycling or organics collection container(s) could result in a fee and non-collection due to contamination. If contamination is found, contamination tags (as shown to the left) will be affixed to the container lid. After the first notice, customers may be charged a contamination fee and the container will not be serviced as recyclable; it will be subsequently serviced as trash. Please note: the contamination fee will be automatically assessed if hazardous or bio-hazardous materials are placed in any collection container. Not sure about what goes in each container? Contact our Burrtec Customer Service at (909) 804-4222 for assistance. As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

YOUR SORTING GUIDE - WHAT GOES WHERE?

Black Bin/Barrel is for **trash**



BAG ALL TRASH - DO NOT ADD HAZARDOUS WASTE

BLACK CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

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

NO

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

Blue Bin/Barrel is for **recyclables**



DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES

BLUE CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Aerosol cans (empty)
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Catalogs
- ✓ Computer paper
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper products
- ✓ #1 - #7 Plastics
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Tissue boxes
- ✓ Wrapping paper

NO

- × Batteries
- × Bubble wrap
- × Carpet
- × Clothing
- × Diapers
- × Dishware
- × Electronic waste
- × Furniture
- × Hoses
- × Mirrors
- × Pet food bags
- × Plastic bags or wrap
- × Plastic toys
- × Soiled paper products
- × Stuffed animals
- × Wax paper

Green Bin/Barrel is for **green waste**



DO NOT BAG GREEN WASTE

GREEN CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Birds of paradise
- ✓ Dead plants
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Palm fronds
- ✓ Prunings & twigs
- ✓ Shrub trimmings
- ✓ Small branches
- ✓ Untreated wood
- ✓ Weeds

NO

- × Animal waste
- × Batteries
- × Cactus
- × Concrete
- × Dirt
- × Electronic waste
- × Flammables
- × Glass
- × Hazardous waste
- × Liquids
- × Metal
- × Plastic
- × Rocks

Brown Bin/Barrel is for **food waste**



DO NOT BAG FOOD WASTE

BROWN CONTAINER GUIDE

YES

- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Coffee grounds
- ✓ Cooked meat and bones
- ✓ Dairy
- ✓ Eggshells
- ✓ Fish
- ✓ Food soiled paper & cardboard*
- ✓ Food waste and scraps
- ✓ Fruit
- ✓ Moldy or spoiled food
- ✓ Vegetables

NO

- × Aluminum foil
- × Bottles and cans
- × Cooking oil
- × Electronics
- × Glass
- × Hazardous waste
- × Landscape waste
- × Liquids
- × Plastic
- × Raw meat & poultry
- × Raw seafood
- × Trash

** Such as paper towels and napkins.*