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# Solid Waste and Recycling Container Guide for Multifamily Properties

### TRASH GUIDE

YES	NO
✓ Cactus	✗ Batteries
✓ Clothing	✗ Electronics
✓ Diapers	✗ Hazardous waste
✓ Dishware	✗ Hot ashes
✓ Flower pots	✗ Flammables
✓ Hoses	✗ Food waste
✓ Plastic bags or wrap	✗ Fluorescent bulbs
✓ Pet food bags	✗ Landscape waste
✓ Pet waste	✗ Machinery
✓ Plastic toys	✗ Paint
✓ Plastic utensils	✗ Pesticides
✓ Shrink wrap	✗ Oil
✓ Soiled paper products	✗ Recyclables
✓ Straws	✗ Sharps
✓ Wipes	✗ Tires

### RECYCLING GUIDE

YES	NO
✓ Aerosol cans (empty)	✗ Batteries
✓ Aluminum cans	✗ Bubble wrap
✓ Brochures	✗ Carpet
✓ Cardboard	✗ Clothing
✓ Cartons	✗ Diapers
✓ Catalogs	✗ Dishware
✓ Computer paper	✗ Electronics
✓ Envelopes	✗ Furniture
✓ Glass bottles & jars	✗ Hoses
✓ Junk mail	✗ Mirrors
✓ Newspaper	✗ Pet food bags
✓ Paper products	✗ Pizza boxes
✓ #1 - #7 Plastics	✗ Plastic bags or wrap
✓ Styrofoam	✗ Plastic toys
✓ Tin cans	✗ Soiled paper products
✓ Tissue boxes	✗ Stuffed animals
✓ Wrapping paper	✗ Wax paper

### ORGANICS GUIDE

YES	NO
✓ Bagged food soiled paper & cardboard*	✗ Batteries
✓ Bagged food waste	✗ Cactus
✓ Birds of Paradise	✗ Concrete
✓ Dead plants	✗ Dirt
✓ Flowers	✗ Electronics
✓ Grass clippings	✗ Flammables
✓ Leaves	✗ Glass
✓ Livestock manure	✗ Hazardous waste
✓ Palm fronds	✗ Liquids
✓ Prunings & twigs	✗ Metal
✓ Shrub trimmings	✗ Pet waste
✓ Small branches	✗ Plastic
✓ Untreated wood	✗ Rocks
✓ Weeds	

\*Such as fast food wrappers and pizza boxes

## HOW TO COLLECT FOOD WASTE AT HOME



### 1 COLLECT

Begin collecting food waste separate from your other trash and recycling. This includes: fruits, vegetables, meats, seafood, bread, dairy, eggshells, coffee, plate scrapings, peels, rinds, and food soiled paper such as paper towels, napkins, and coffee filters.

### 2 ADD & SECURE

Add food waste to its own separate plastic-lined container. Store it in a convenient place, such as on your countertop, in your refrigerator or under your sink. Secure your 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 into your green barrel, along with your green waste. Your green organic waste barrel should be located next to or in the bin enclosure. Remember, food waste no longer belongs in your trash barrel.

## FAQs

### Residential Food Waste Recycling Program

#### Am I required to participate?

Yes. This is a California law that requires all residents, multi-family tenants, and commercial businesses to participate in food waste recycling in order to comply with Senate Bill 1383.

#### Will plastic bags be supplied?

Customers will be required to use their own bags. Bags do not need to be compostable or biodegradable.

#### What is the benefit of recycling food waste?

Your recycling efforts contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in landfilled organic waste. This includes methane, a greenhouse gas 80 times more potent than carbon dioxide.

#### I already backyard compost, do I have to participate?

We encourage you to continue backyard composting. Organic items not suitable for backyard compost can be recycled through this program.

#### Can I use my garbage disposal instead?

No need to change your current garbage disposal use. Food currently being discarded in your trash barrel should now be bagged and placed in your green organics container.

#### What items are acceptable?

Fruits, vegetables, meats, seafood, dairy, eggshells, bread, food scraps, food soiled paper, plate scrapings, and expired food.

#### What items are not acceptable?

Trash, styrofoam, liquids, glass, plastic, metal, diapers, pet waste, electronic waste, and hazardous waste.



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