COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

COMMERCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES GUIDE



BUSINESS RECYCLING - IT'S THE LAW!

AB 341	This law requires California commercial businesses and public entities that generate four (4) or more cubic yards of waste per week and multi-family housing complexes with five (5) or more units, to adopt recycling practices.
AB 1826	Requires businesses that generate two (2) or more yards of municipal solid waste (recycling, organics, and landfill) per week to arrange for organic recycling services.
SB 1383	Establishes methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions. In accordance to this law, all local jurisdictions must provide organic waste collection services to all residential and commercial generators by January 1, 2022, to divert this material from landfills. Organic waste includes food scraps and green waste such as landscape and pruning waste. Also requires that you should have food recovery service or organization established and recovering all edible excess food from your facility.
AB 827	Requires businesses to make composting and recycling bins accessible to customers and clearly marked with educational signage indicating what is accepted in the local solid waste programs. Local law also requires commercial & multifamily properties to recycle regardless of waste generation levels.

Additional information about California's business recycling requirements is available from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) at https://tinyurl.com/CommRecycle.

START A RECYCLING PROGRAM

Customized Program

CR&R offers waste audits for businesses seeking to improve their current recycling and waste programs. A CR&R Sustainability Specialist will evaluate your business from the inside out to achieve the most successful recycling and organics program possible. Please contact 760.482.5656 with any questions you may have.

Training/Assistance

Once your business implements a progam, CR&R's Sustainability Specialist can assist in the training of your employees. We'll provide educational materials explaining the program in depth. One of the keys to a successful program is education from the executive management to the janitorial staff.

FOOD SCRAP RECYCLING AND EDIBLE FOOD DONATIONS

Recycling organic waste through composting and anaerobic digestion reduces greenhouse gases, creates jobs, and helps sustain California's agricultural industry. CR&R has developed a Food Scrap Recycling collection program to help businesses comply with State law.

Have excess food to donate?

If you are interested in donating prepared or nonperishable food, contact one of CR&R's Food Rescue Partners: San Diego Food bank at www.sandiegofoodbank.org

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Place these materials in your recycling bin or cart:







Paper Cardboard Metal Glass Plastics Thru Thru

These items are acceptable to be placed in your organics container:



Food Waste Fats · Oils · Grease Food - Soiled Paper Yard Waste

CONTAINER SIZES

BIN SIZES







BULKY ITEMS, ELECTRONIC WASTE and WHITE GOODS

Items that cannot properly fit in your trash container, such as a chair or desk, are considered bulky items and require a special pick up and should be donated if resuable. Electronic waste (e-waste) is anything with a circuit board or battery powered. White goods (e.g. refrigerators, freezers) and e-waste cannot be disposed of in any waste container. Please contact www.wastefreesd.org or call 1-877-713-2784 for recycling options.

Hazardous waste are products that are flammable, corrosive, reactive or toxic. Discarded batteries are hazardous waste in California. Therefore, it is illegal to dispose of them in ANY trash, recycling or organic waste; DO NOT place them in any of your collection containers. This includes batteries of all types and sizes: Alkaline (AAA, AA, C, D, 9 volt), Lithium-ion (button cell, power tool batteries, camera batteries, other electronics), Ni-Cad (power tools), rechargeable and single use.

Why is it important? Lithium-ion batteries can cause fires in recycling centers, landfills, and garbage and recycling trucks when improperly disposed.



For additional information: http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/reducewaste/batteries

Examples of Hazardous Waste include:

- Fluorescent light tubes
- Batteries
- Latex or water based paint

- Non empty aerosol cans
- Thermostats
- High intensity discharge lamps

For more information on Battery and Hazardous Waste disposal options for your business contact www.wastefreesd.org.

Holiday Schedule: Non-Collection Days

New Year's Day Labor Day Memorial Day Thanksgiving Day Independence Day Christmas Day

Customer Service 760.482.5656 crrwasteservices.com Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

