

Business Recycling Laws

Mandatory Commercial Recycling

State law, AB 341, requires businesses generating 4 cubic yards or more of trash per week to have a recycling program. For more information, visit: calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial.

Mandatory Recycling and Organics Containers

State law, AB 827, requires businesses (covered under AB 341 and AB 1826) to have organics and recycling containers available for customers to use to collect material purchased and consumed on their premises. For more information about AB 827, visit: calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/faq.

Senate Bill 1383

Composting organics is now law! Organic material accounts for more than one-third of the waste stream in California. Greenhouse gas emissions caused by the decomposition of organic material in landfills, contribute to global climate change. Businesses are required to separate organics, including all food scraps, uncoated food-soiled paper and yard trimmings for composting. For more information, go to calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp.

Hazardous Waste

Republic Services does not pick up hazardous waste from commercial accounts. The Napa Vallejo Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility in American Canyon does not accept hazardous waste from Benicia. Ponder Environmental and Clean Harbors (both in Benicia) have collection services available. For a list of additional agencies, contact MKnutson@RepublicServices.com.

Food Recovery

To reduce food waste and help address food insecurity, SB 1383 requires that by 2025 California will recover 20 percent of edible food that would otherwise be sent to landfills, to feed people in need. The law directs the following:

- Jurisdictions must establish food recovery programs and strengthen their existing food recovery networks
- Food donors must arrange to recover the maximum amount of their edible food that would otherwise go to landfills
- Food recovery organizations and services that participate in SB 1383 must maintain records

For more information, go to RepublicServices.com/BeniciaCA or use this QRCode.



Technical and Educational Assistance

Want to improve your recycling and/or organics programs? Need to start a program? Employees need training? Republic Services can provide educational material, posters, training, waste assessments, help set up programs, offer suggestions for improvements and answer any questions at no additional cost. Contact Marie Knutson, Sustainability Advisor, MKnutson@RepublicServices.com or call 707.694.4570.

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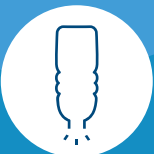
Lids must close. Overloaded or contaminated containers may not be serviced or may incur additional charges.



Empty. Remove any remaining food or liquid.



Clean. Wipe or lightly rinse the item.



Dry. Shake out excess moisture or air dry.



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Commercial Recycling and Organics



Sustainability in Action



Landfill

A collection of various waste items, including a crushed snack bag, a crumpled paper cup, a tied plastic bag, a red cup with a straw, a broken ceramic mug, a milk carton, orange plasticware, a crushed can, a styrofoam container, and a blue glove.



Recycle

A collage of various recyclable items including a brown glass bottle, crumpled newspaper, a glass jar, a brown paper bag, a flattened cardboard box, a crushed plastic bottle, a crushed aluminum can, a flattened aluminum pan, a stack of papers, and a can of chicken noodle soup.



Empty, Clean, and Dry

Compost



A collage of various food and garden waste items suitable for composting. The items include a bouquet of red and white flowers, a pile of green leaves, a core of a red apple, a used pizza box with food remnants, a chicken bone, three eggshells, a whole fish, a coffee filter containing ground coffee, and a plate with food scraps including a fried item, bread, and sauce.



Compostable BPI Bags (meets ASTM 6400 Standard), Paper Bags, or No Bags

A red circle with a diagonal slash over a cluster of green leaves, indicating that leaves are not to be used.A red circle with a diagonal slash over two paint cans, indicating that painting is prohibited.

A blue Republic Services trash bin is positioned in front of a large grey dumpster. The bin features the Republic Services logo and the phone number (925) 685-4711. The dumpster has a black lid with a corrugated pattern.

A red circle with a diagonal slash over a photograph of various metal hardware items, including a hinge and several nuts and bolts.

Organics should be loose
(*no bags*) or in compostable
or paper bags only.
No plastic bags.