

# Apartment and Condominium Recycling Laws

## Senate Bill (“SB”) 1383: Reducing Organic Waste

As of January 2022, residents are required to separate organics, including all food scraps, uncoated food-soiled paper, and yard trimmings, for composting. You must subscribe to and participate in the organics and recycling program. SB 1383 is a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived pollutants by reducing organic waste disposal. Organic material accounts for more than one third of the material in California’s waste stream. Greenhouse gas emissions caused by the decomposition of organic material in landfills contribute to global climate change.

Property owners and managers of multifamily residential dwellings may also choose to self haul organics and/or recyclables if they track all weight tickets for reporting to a specified composting facility, community composting program, or other collection activity/program.

Go to [calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp](https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp), for more information.

### Property managers are required to:

- Subscribe to and allow tenants and employees to access an adequate number, size, and location of recycling, compost, and landfill receptacles.
- Place compost and recycling receptacles adjacent to all landfill receptacles with adequate labels and/or signage (exceptions allowed for public-use laundry rooms and restrooms).
- Annually educate tenants on the requirement to properly sort waste into recycling, compost, and landfill.
- Provide information about the law to new tenants within 14 days of move-in and at least annually.

Go to [RepublicServices.com/MartinezCA](https://RepublicServices.com/MartinezCA) or scan the QR codes below for tenant outreach materials.



Multifamily Move-In Guide



Multifamily Move-Out Handout



Multifamily Compost and Recycle Form

### Technical and Educational Assistance

Need help making sure you are in compliance with SB 1383 or just want to improve your recycling and organics programs? Republic Services can provide educational material, posters, training, waste assessments, help setting up programs, offer suggestions for improvements, and answer any questions at no additional cost. Call 925.671.5860 or contact [SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com](mailto:SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com).

## NEW Clean-up Voucher Program

Property Managers are responsible for letting their tenants know about this program. Tenants can obtain a voucher for up to one cubic yard of solid waste to be dumped at no charge at the Contra Costa Transfer and Recovery Station in Martinez. Tenants must first go to Republic Services’ office at 441 N. Buchanan Circle, Pacheco (Mon.–Fri., 8 am–5 pm) and provide proof of residency to obtain up to one voucher per calendar year. Property owners and/or managers are not permitted to collect vouchers on behalf of their tenants. No appliances, e-waste, hazardous waste, or treated wood.

## Household Hazardous Waste

### It is ILLEGAL to throw hazardous waste in your carts and dumpsters:

Take paint, pesticides, fluorescent bulbs, motor oil, oil filters, batteries, solvents, personal care products, and other household chemicals FREE OF CHARGE to Central San’s Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 4797 Imhoff Place in Martinez. For more info go to: [centralsan.org/hhw](https://centralsan.org/hhw) or call 800.646.1431.



## Bulky Item Pickups and On-Call Cleanups

Property owners or managers can schedule a bulky item pick-up for tenants for a fee. Property Managers can schedule up to two on-call solid waste pickups with a temporary debris box per calendar year at no additional cost. Call Customer Service at 925.685.411 at least three days before the preferred cleanup date to schedule a bulky item or on-call cleanup.



Republic Services of Contra Costa County  
441 N. Buchanan Circle, Pacheco, CA 94553  
925.685.4711 | [RepublicServices.com/MartinezCA](https://RepublicServices.com/MartinezCA)



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# Martinez Apartment & Condominium Guide

for Managers





# Landfill



# Recycle



Empty, Clean, and Dry

# Compost



Compostable "BPI Certified" Bag, Paper Bag, or No Bag

# Did you know?

## Apartment and Condominium Recycling



To make recycling easier, handy reusable recycling totes are available to tenants at no additional cost. If you would like any totes to distribute to your tenants, please call 925.671.5860 or contact [SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com](mailto:SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com).

### Keep Recycling Clean

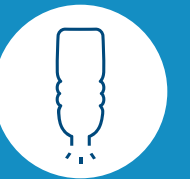
To meet strict quality requirements in this new era of recycling, please make sure your recyclables are:



**Empty.** Remove any remaining food or liquid.



**Clean.** Wipe or lightly rinse the item.



**Dry.** Shake out excess moisture or air dry.

## Food Scrap Composting



Food scrap pails are available for tenants at no additional cost. Tenants can use the pail to collect food scraps and then empty the material into the green organics cart. They may line their food scrap pail with newspaper, a paper bag, or a "BPI-Certified" Compostable bag (the only type of Compostable plastic we can accept).

If you have tenants who would like a pail, call 925.671.5860 or contact [SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com](mailto:SustainabilityAdvisors@RepublicServices.com).



**Important:** Biodegradable plastics AND REGULAR PLASTICS are not acceptable because they don't break down completely in our compost process.

## Service Reminder

Lids must close. Overloaded or contaminated containers may not be serviced, or you may be charged.



**No Food**



**No Paper**



**No Green Waste**



**No Recyclable Material**



**No Hazardous Waste**



**No Liquids**



**No Textiles**



**No Carpet**



**No Food**



**No Green Waste**



**No Hazardous Waste**



**No Styrofoam®**



Recyclables should be loose (no bags).



**No Metal**



**No Glass**



**No Plastic**



**No Hazardous Waste**



**No Compostable Utensils Or Cups**



**No Pet Waste**

Organics should be loose (no bags) or in compostable or paper bags only—not plastic bags. No compostable plastic.

