

# RECYCLING



EMPTY



CLEAN



DRY

## Weekly Service for Brown Container

### OK FOR RECYCLING

Cardboard

Chipboard  
(cereal, shoe boxes)

Glass containers  
(EMPTY, CLEAN, DRY)

Metal cans  
(EMPTY, CLEAN, DRY)

Metal items

Paper

Paper products

Plastic containers  
(EMPTY, CLEAN, DRY)



Empty cans,  
small metal items



Empty glass containers



Empty plastic containers



Cardboard



Chipboard (cereal,  
shoe boxes), paper,  
paper products



### NOT FOR BROWN CONTAINER

- ❌ Batteries
- ❌ Ceramics
- ❌ Clothes hangers
- ❌ Electronics  
(including DVDs, CDs,  
ink cartridges)
- ❌ Food scraps
- ❌ Green waste
- ❌ Garbage
- ❌ Hazardous waste
- ❌ Plastic bags, wrap
- ❌ Styrofoam



Leave containers  
out by 6:00 a.m.,  
and keep containers  
4 feet apart.

Recycle batteries, CFLs!  
Bag separately; place **NEXT**  
to recycling container.

### REMINDERS

- Collections are **WEEKLY** on the same day as your garbage service.
- For missed service, call within 24 hours: (925) 685-4711.
- **No charge for larger or extra recycle container.**
- Place all recyclables in brown container. Cardboard may be placed beside recycling container. Break down boxes.
- Recycle extra cardboard free with on-call recycling 4 times a year. See On-Call Recycling in Yard Waste section.
- Completely close container lid.
- Before discarding, consider reusing or donating.
- For recycling and reuse options for other materials call the Recycling Hotline at 1-800-750-4096 or visit [www.cccrecycle.org](http://www.cccrecycle.org).

# YARD WASTE

## Weekly Service for Green Container



OK FOR RECYCLING

Cacti

Leaves

Prunings

Straw

Yard Trimmings

### ON-CALL YARD WASTE & RECYCLING CLEANUPS

Recycle extra yard waste (YW) or cardboard or both with up to 4 free on-call recycling cleanups per year. Household batteries can be recycled **FREE** with your on-call recycling cleanups.

To schedule a recycling cleanup, request service at [site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca) or call (925) 685-4711.

Additional recycling and yard waste cleanups are scheduled for collection on the same day as your regular recycling and yard waste service. If you request a cleanup on a day other than your regular service day, a fee will apply.

#### Extra Yard Waste

- After filling yard waste container, place extra leaves and yard clippings in cardboard boxes, paper bags and containers that are 32 gallons or smaller. Maximum 50 lbs. per container. (No plastic bags.)
- Containers will not be taken away.
- Tree branches and prunings must be 3 feet or less in length and 3 inches or less in diameter. Bundle with string or cord.
- Place extra yard waste at curb by 6 a.m. of your pickup day or the night before.
- Keep extra material at least 4 feet away from containers.

#### Cardboard

- Flatten cardboard and trim to 4 feet or less on each side. Bundle with cord or string. No maximum on bundle's thickness if less than 50 lbs.
- Place cardboard at curb by 6 a.m. of your pickup day or the night before.
- Place the extra material next to your brown recycling container.

#### Household Batteries, Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFLs)

- Place batteries in a clear, sealable quart-size plastic bag, i.e., Ziploc. Single-use AA, AAA, C, D and 9V batteries only. No rechargeable batteries.
- Place CFLs in clear, sealable quart-size plastic bag, i.e., Ziploc. No broken bulbs.
- Place bagged batteries NEXT to brown recycling container (NOT inside).



Leave containers out by 6:00 a.m., and keep containers 4 feet apart.

### NOT FOR GREEN CONTAINER OR ON-CALL CLEANUP

- ❌ Food, loose vegetables, fruits
- ❌ Garbage, recyclables like glass, plastics, metals
- ❌ Hazardous waste
- ❌ Palm fronds
- ❌ Pet waste
- ❌ Plastic bags
- ❌ Sod, dirt, rock, concrete
- ❌ Tree trunks, stumps, branches more than 3 inches in diameter or more than 3 feet in length
- ❌ Wine corks (all types). BevMo may take them for recycling.

### YARD WASTE REMINDERS

- Collection is WEEKLY on the same day as garbage service.
- For missed service, please call customer service within 24 hours at (925) 685-4711.
- **No charge for larger or extra yard waste container.**
- Be sure all materials fit inside container with lid closed.
- Keep container 4 feet from other containers or objects including cars and mailboxes.

# GARBAGE

## Weekly Service for Blue Container



### WHAT NOT TO PUT IN TRASH CONTAINER

Batteries  
Fluorescent bulbs  
Hazardous Waste  
Medical sharps  
Recyclables  
Yard waste

### REMINDERS

- For missed service, please call customer service within 24 hours at (925) 685-4711.
- Be sure all materials fit inside the container with lid closed.
- Before discarding items, consider reusing or donating.
- Only trash in blue container.
- Leave the container out the night before or by 6 a.m. of your collection day.
- Keep container away from other containers and any objects including cars and mailboxes.

## TWO FREE ON-CALL CLEANUPS

Residents in Clayton may schedule two free cleanups per year at any time. Cleanups can be used to discard up to two cubic yards (approx. fourteen 32-gallon bags) of extra trash and items that are too large for garbage containers. To schedule a cleanup, call Republic Services at (925) 685-4711. You can also schedule a pickup online by visiting our website at [site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca).

### Guidelines for Cleanups

- ✓ Place items at the curb by 6 a.m., preferably the night before your cleanup day.
- ✓ All items must be stacked in one place.
- ✓ Cut and tie branches, prunings or wood so bundles are 4 feet or less in length and less than 24 inches in diameter. Tree stumps cannot be collected.
- ✓ Bag or tie items with rope, cord or string strong enough to keep bundles intact or place in containers, including metal and plastic trash cans. All containers will be taken away.
- ✓ Place cleanup items in a single pile at a distance of 5 feet or more from your garbage container.
- ✓ No loose piles.

### Unacceptable Materials for Cleanups

- ✗ No single item may weigh more than 150 lbs. or be longer than 4 feet. Bags cannot weigh more than 50 pounds.
- ✗ No large car parts (tires, transmission blocks, engines, etc.), large furniture or mattresses.
- ✗ No rocks, dirt or concrete.
- ✗ No tree stumps or large tree trunks.
- ✗ No microwave ovens, clothes dryers, space heaters, ovens or other appliances with mercury switches. These can be picked up for a fee.
- ✗ No hazardous wastes including paint, oil filters, motor oil, car batteries, anti-freeze, solvents, pesticides and cleaners. Hazardous waste must be taken to the Central Sanitary HHW Facility at 4797 Imhoff Place, Martinez.

# BULKY ITEMS

## Free Pickup of E-Waste, Too

Clayton residents may schedule curbside pickups of bulky items (see list below) at no charge. Call customer service at (925) 685-4711 to schedule a bulky item pickup.

- Air conditioner (pickup & Freon removal)

- Computer monitors

- Couch/sofa

- Dishwasher

- Dryer

- Electronics

- Freezer (pickup & Freon removal)

- Hot water heater

- Hide-a-bed

- Double mattress

- Double box spring

- Twin mattress

- Twin box spring

- Queen mattress

- Queen box spring

- King mattress

- King box spring

- Refrigerator (pickup & Freon removal)

- Stove

- Washer

- Swamp cooler



- Tires (less than 19 inches)

- Tires with rim (less than 19 inches)

- Tires (larger than 19 inches)

- Tires with rim (larger than 19 inches)

- TV (32 inches or smaller)

- TV (32 inches or larger)

### Free E-Waste Pickups

There is no charge for collection of e-waste in Clayton. Call (925) 685-4711 to schedule a pickup.



### Recycle Batteries, CFLs

Household batteries and compact fluorescent lights are hazardous waste but can be recycled curbside. Place batteries in quart-size Ziploc bag, seal and leave next to brown recycle container. Do the same in separate Ziploc bag for CFLs. See Recycling Page.



# SERVICES

## Just Give Us a Call

### Extra Material

Please call (925) 685-4711 at least 24 hours prior to your regular collection day to arrange for a pickup of extra garbage.

Our customer service representatives can provide you with information about rates and scheduling.

### Holiday Treecycling

Republic Services will notify you in your December solid waste bill of the holiday tree recycling and collection program. No flocked trees will be taken.



### How to Reach Us; New Online Service

Customer service is available to answer questions about your service or bill. To reach us:

- Call a customer service representative at (925) 685-4711.
- Write us at 441 N. Buchanan Circle, Pacheco, CA 94553, attn: Customer Service Manager.
- Visit the Republic Services web site at: [site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca) where you can order a container repair, schedule a cleanup, report a missed collection and request other services online.

### Container Sizes

Containers are available in the following sizes:

- Garbage: 20, 32, 64, 96 gallons
- Recycling: 64 gallons
- Yard Waste: 64 gallons
- Container dimensions:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Width</u>	<u>Depth</u>	<u>Footprint</u>
20 gal.	32.6"	19.8"	18.0"	< 2.0 sq. ft.
32 gal.	38.5"	19.0"	22.0"	2.0 sq. ft.
64 gal.	42.0"	25.5"	27.0"	2.5 sq. ft.
96 gal.	46.5"	26.5"	33.5"	3.0 sq. ft.

### Going on Vacation?

Please schedule vacation holds in advance:

- Minimum 2 weeks per hold.
- Maximum 4 holds per year.

Call customer service at (925) 685-4711 for additional information.

### Payment Options

Customers have four convenient ways to pay their garbage bills:

- Make a one-time payment online at [site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca/en/pages/bill-pay.aspx](http://site.RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca/en/pages/bill-pay.aspx) or sign up for auto bill-pay using My Resource at [Republiconline.com](http://Republiconline.com).
- Make a payment by mail, using the envelope provided with your bill.
- Visit the Republic Services office at 441 N. Buchanan Circle in Pacheco to make a payment in person.
- Call (925) 685-4711 to make a credit card payment by phone. We accept American Express, Visa, MasterCard, or Discover. We do not accept checks over the phone.

### Holidays Observed

Only Christmas and New Year's Day affect collections.

If your pickup day falls on those holidays or on a day following them that week, service will be one day later even if it falls on Saturday.

### Missed Collection?

Please call within 24 hours to report that your garbage, recycle or yard waste cart has not been serviced.

### Moving?

If you are moving, please leave your recycling, yard waste and garbage containers in a secure location for the next resident. Please call us to discontinue service.

# CONSERVE

## Doing More – Beyond Curbside!

### What Happens to Recyclables & Garbage

#### **Q. What happens to my recyclables after I put them in my brown container?**

A. After your recyclables are emptied into our truck, they are taken to Pacific Rim Recycling in Benicia.

The recyclables travel down a conveyor belt, and employees separate them into different commodities. The different material types are then baled together and sold.

#### **Q. What happens to my garbage after I put it in my blue container?**

A. Anything put in the garbage becomes trash forever. What you put in your blue container (even recyclables like cardboard, cans, bottles) is taken to our Martinez Transfer Station to be compacted, then to Keller Canyon Landfill in Pittsburg.

Employees do NOT sort through garbage and pick out recyclable items. Please put all recyclable items in the brown recycling container!

### Why You Cannot Recycle...

**Styrofoam:** There is no market for Styrofoam because it is low quality, cheaper to produce from virgin materials and usually tainted with food. A useless commodity, it goes straight to the landfill.



However, a large amount of Styrofoam products end up as litter and reach the ocean, where they break down into smaller bits and are ingested by birds and sea animals.

Avoid Styrofoam when you can and tell your favorite restaurants to switch to greener packaging.

**Milk Cartons:** A waxy coating on paper or cardboard diminishes the value of the commodity and makes recycling difficult.



**Chipbags & Aseptic Packaging:** Both packaging materials are not recyclable because they are an amalgam of multiple material types. Aluminum foil is bound to plastic or in the case of aseptic packaging aluminum is bound to waxy cardboard.



These materials cannot be separated for recycling so unfortunately they have to go in the garbage.

### Reuse Area at Central Sanitary

Need some paint? Gardening products? Cleaning chemicals? Stop by the Reuse Room at Central Sanitary's HHW Facility (4797 Imhoff Place, Martinez) to drop off unwanted chemicals and pick up new ones, all at no charge! Open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



### Old Pills Piling Up?

Don't toss medicines and over-the-counter drugs down the drain or toilet. They enter waterways, harming the environment and people. Wastewater plants cannot filter these chemicals. Remove pills from bottle and place in sealable plastic bag. Dispose of safely at:



- Police station, City Hall 2nd floor, 6000 Heritage Trail, Clayton (9-5, M-F), ph: (925) 673-7350.

- Concord Police Lobby, 1350 Galindo St. (9-5 M-F; 9-2 Sat.)

- Sheriff's Substation at County Hospital, 2500 Alhambra Ave.; Sheriff's Field Ops Bldg., 1980 Muir Road, both in Martinez (8-5, M-F); Martinez Police, 525 Henrietta St. (9-5, M-F).

- City Hall Lobby, 1666 N. Main St., Walnut Creek (8-5, M-F).

### Freecycle, Craigslist

Recycling is the last of the 3 Rs – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Incorporate the first two (Reduce & Reuse) into your everyday life through the free services at [Craigslist.org](http://Craigslist.org) and [Freecycle.org](http://Freecycle.org). They help you find new homes for unwanted goods, and they're great sources of free (or cheap) goods.

### Plastic vs. Reusable Bags

Americans use billions of plastic bags per year. Many end up in the landfill or in the ocean. Consider using reusable bags at the grocery store. Some stores have reusable bags for purchase and often offer discounts for using reusables instead of plastic or paper bags.



We do not accept plastic bags (or any type of plastic film) for recycling. State law requires grocery stores to accept them for recycling. Visit [www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org) for information.



# Household Hazardous Waste

## Motor Oil, Filters, and Cooking Oil

Recycle oil filters and used motor oil curbside.

Recycle cooking oil at Central Sanitary District HHW Facility

## Oil Filters, Motor Oil

- Put motor oil in clear plastic container like a milk jug.
- Tape lid tightly closed.
- Max 3 gal. oil per pickup.
- Crush, open or puncture, then drain filter (puncture at lowest point) to ensure anti-drain-back valve is empty. More info: [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov).
- Place filter in sealable plastic bag, i.e. Ziploc, seal.
- Place oil and filter **beside** your recycling container.

## Cooking Oil

- Pour cooking oil into clear plastic container like a milk jug.
- Tape lid tightly closed.
- Recycle at the Central Sanitary District HHW Facility.



## FIRE DANGER!

Cell phones with batteries can be flammable. Please take cell phones to an electronics recycling facility.



## Household Hazardous Waste

No hazardous waste in garbage or recycling.

Recycle car and household batteries, latex paint, anti-freeze, motor oil, oil filters, fluorescent bulbs, mercury thermometers, solvents, pesticides and other household chemicals FREE OF CHARGE at the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District HHW Facility, 4797 Imhoff Place, Martinez. Call (800) 646-1431 or visit [www.centralsan.org](http://www.centralsan.org).

## Sharps

No syringes, needles or lancets in garbage or recycling. Sharps must be placed in a medical sharps container or plastic bottle with lid (32 oz or less; no glass; no coffee cans) and taken to an official drop-off site:

- Police station, 2nd floor, City Hall, 6000 Heritage Trail, Clayton, from 9-5, Mon.-Fri.
- visit site: [RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca) for sites or call (925) 685-4711.



## Electronic Waste

Republic Services will pick up at no charge e-waste such as CRTs (TVs, computer monitors), computers, keyboards, printers, fax machines, DVD players, VCRs and radios. To schedule a pickup, call (925) 685-4711.

E-waste can also be taken to a licensed facility. Local e-waste companies offer free curbside pickup of e-waste. For a list of e-waste facilities in your area, visit site: [RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca).

## Old Pills Piling Up?

Dispose of old medicines at the Clayton police station, 2nd floor, City Hall, 6000 Heritage Trail (9-5, M-F), (925) 673-7350, or at:

- Sheriff's Substation, County Hospital, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez (8-5, M-F).
- City Hall Lobby, 1666 N. Main St., Walnut Creek (8-5, M-F).
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Remove pills from bottles and place in sealable plastic bag for disposal.



441 N. Buchanan Circle  
Pacheco, CA 94553

(925) 685-4711

site: [RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca](http://RepublicServices.com/site/pacheco-ca)



Leave containers out by 6 a.m. with 4 feet of space around each.

## Containers at the Curb Line

The City of Clayton's quality community standard calls for no containers at the curb before noon the day before collection, and please remove your containers by 10 p.m. the day of collection.

## Recycling Reminder

- Empty.** Remove any food or liquid contents from a recyclable item before placing it in a recycling container.
- Clean.** Lightly rinse or wipe recyclable item to remove any residue.
- Dry.** Shake out excess water or let the recyclable item dry before placing it in a recycling container.



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