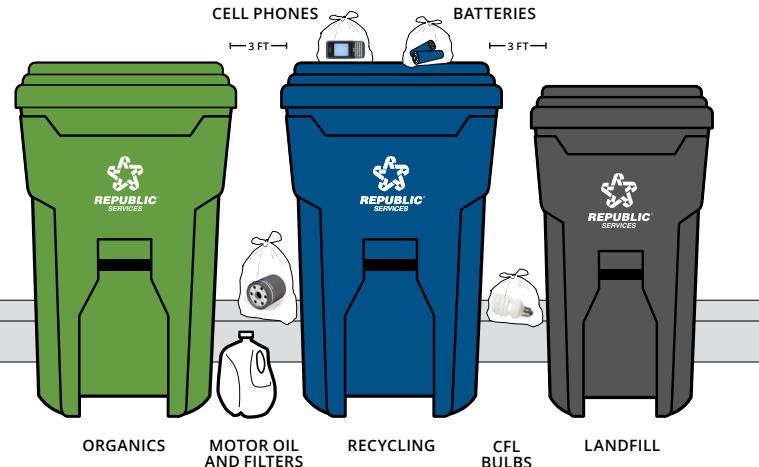


## Cart Setout Instructions

Place carts out by 6am on your collection day. Set carts next to the curb and 3 feet away from other carts and vehicles. Cart lids should be completely closed. Cart weight limit is 150 lbs. Drivers have until 6pm to service.



Place all household batteries, cell phones, compact fluorescent bulbs (CFL's) and motor oil filters in a sealed plastic bag(s). Tape the ends of lithium-ion batteries. **Please refer to the set-out image above for guidelines on weekly placement at the curb.** Call Republic Services for more info or for a free motor oil disposal container. **On-property service is available for customers with disabilities for free, and for those customers who would prefer on-property service for a fee.**

## Recycle Smart. Landfill Less.

You can upsize your 64-gallon blue recycling cart and/or green organics cart to a larger 96-gallon size at no extra cost!

## Free Extra Collection Services

- 1 on-call landfill collection annually
- 4 on-call collections annually for yard trimmings (in paper or compostable bags; **NO** black bags) and/or extra recyclables

Size and weight restrictions apply. There is a fee for large items. Call Republic Services to schedule an extra collection.

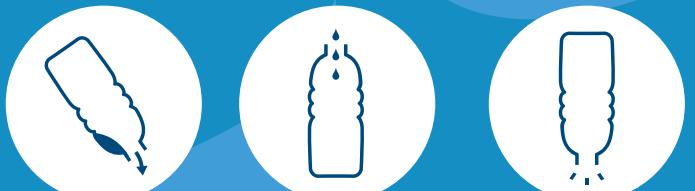
## Reuse & Cleanup Days Program

Twice a year, residents can place a variety of items at the curb for reuse, e-waste recycling, and disposal. Reuse Day (Day 1) items are picked up by Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery and Cleanup Day (Day 2) materials are picked up by Republic Services.

Most materials collected during your Reuse Day go to local charities. A brochure will be mailed with your Reuse Days dates at least two weeks in advance. **For more information and to use our easy search function for your upcoming dates visit [RecycleSmart.org/Cleanup](https://RecycleSmart.org/Cleanup).**

## Empty, Clean, and Dry Recycling

If your recycling or organics cart/bin is contaminated with unacceptable materials, it may not be serviced and your property may be charged a go-back fee.



**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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## It's ILLEGAL to put these items in your carts

Please visit [RecycleSmart.org/HHW](https://RecycleSmart.org/HHW) or use the QR code to see free, local drop off locations and program information for the following materials:



- **Medical Needles (Sharps).** Free, local drop off locations. California residents can also request a free mail-back box at [SharpsTakebackCalifornia.org](https://SharpsTakebackCalifornia.org)
- **Motor oil.** Call Republic Services at 925.685.4711 to request a free motor oil/filter disposal container. Then simply place your sealed container and oil filters next to your carts on your collection day.
- **Unused medications.** Free, local drop off locations (including inhalers, pet and liquid medications).
- **E-waste.** Recycle electronics curbside on your twice a year Reuse Day for free, or call Republic Services to schedule an e-waste pickup at the curb for a fee.
- **Paint and hazardous waste.** Take paint, pesticides, cleaning products, personal care products, and other household chemicals FREE OF CHARGE to Central San's Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Visit [CentralSan.org/hhw](https://CentralSan.org/hhw) for information.



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# Landfill



## Yes

- Plastic Utensils
- Plastic Packaging
- Compostable & Biodegradable Plastic
- Food Service Ware
- Juice Pouches
- Chip Bags
- Snack Wrappers
- Broken Dishware
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Diapers
- Pet Waste
- Receipts
- Coated Paper
- Food Cartons
- Plastic (Without a Recycling Number)
- Non-Usable Textiles
- Mixed Materials (two or more different materials combined together)

## No

- Food Scraps
- Uncoated Food Soiled Paper
- Landscape Trimmings
- Recyclables
- Electronics
- Medicine
- Medical Needles/Sharps
- Batteries
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Motor Oil/Filters
- Hazardous Waste
- Hot Ash
- Chemicals



## Yes

- Empty, Clean, and Dry™
- (#1-7) Plastic Containers
- Bundled Plastic Bags
- Metal Containers
- Aluminum Foil
- Glass Bottles and Jars
- Clean Paper (If shredded, put in clear bag)
- Dry and Broken Down Cardboard

## No

- Food Scraps
- Food-Soiled Paper and Containers
- Garbage
- Paper Towels
- Paper Plates
- Organics
- Wood
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Hazardous Waste
- Batteries
- Electronics
- Plastic Utensils



Recyclables should be loose (no bags) or in paper bags

## Yes

- Small Twigs and Branches (less than 4' in length and 6" in diameter)
- Yard Trimmings
- Uncoated Food-Soiled Paper (including napkins, paper towels, paper plates, pizza boxes)
- Raw and Cooked Food, Leftovers, To-Go Food
- Fruits and Vegetables (raw and cooked)
- Dairy Products
- Breads
- Meat and Seafood (including bones and shells)
- Clean Wood (no paint, stain, or coating. Lumber, chop sticks, skewers)

## No

- Plastic
- Glass
- Metal
- Dirt
- Pet Waste
- Diapers
- Plastic Food Containers
- Compostable & Biodegradable Plastic
- Expanded Polystyrene Foam
- Treated or Painted Wood
- Coated Food-Soiled Paper (including paper cups, cartons, clamshells, and takeout boxes that appear shiny)
- Palm Leaves



Organics should be loose (no bags) or in paper or BPI-Certified compostable bags

# Senate Bill 1383: Composting organics is now the law!

Organic material accounts for more than half of the material in California's waste stream. Greenhouse gas emissions caused by the decomposition of organic material in landfills contribute to climate change. Residents are required to separate organics, including all food scraps, uncoated food-soiled paper, and yard trimmings for composting. Visit [RecycleSmart.org/1383](http://RecycleSmart.org/1383) or use the QR code below for more information.

Residents can participate by:

- Preventing/reducing food waste (reducing food waste generation)
- Backyard composting
- Using the curbside green organics cart



**SB 1383 also requires local jurisdictions to monitor contamination and proper sorting of organics by performing annual route audits. RecycleSmart or its contractor may be in your neighborhood throughout the year assessing your carts.**



## Organics Programs

Residents can compost organics at home and/or use the curbside green organics cart.

Backyard composting is an easy process that turns yard trimmings and food scraps into a natural soil amendment to help grow healthy food. Visit [RecycleSmart.org/Composting](http://RecycleSmart.org/Composting) for information on quarterly savings on your Republic Services bill, workshops and discounted compost bins.

Or, let Republic Services compost for you! Place organics in your green cart. A free food scrap pail is available to collect your scraps. Pails can be lined with newspaper, paper towels, paper bags, or BPI-Certified compostable bags. Call Republic Services at 925.685.4711 to request a pail. For green cart information and tips visit [RecycleSmart.org/GreenCartSmart](http://RecycleSmart.org/GreenCartSmart)



**Important:** Compostable plastics such as cold cups and utensils **do not break down** in our compost process. These should go in your **black landfill cart**. BPI-Certified compostable bags are the only compostable plastic material allowed in the green cart.