



# It's the Law

## Mandatory Recycling & Organics Laws

### **Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law AB 341**

Requires businesses that generate at least 4 cubic yards of waste per week, as well as multi-family complexes with 5 units or more, regardless of the amount of waste generated, to recycle. Items that must be recycled include paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, cans and glass. All these items can be combined together into one recycling container.

### **Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling Law Assembly Bill (AB) 1826**

Requires businesses that generate more than 2 cubic yards of waste per week, and multi-family properties with 5 or more units, to recycle organic waste. While businesses must divert organic materials, multi-family properties do not need to have a food waste program at this time; however, they must recycle green waste.

### **Commercial Organics and Recycling Bins AB 827**

Effective July 1, 2020, certain restaurants and retailers who are subject to Mandatory Commercial Recycling and Organics laws are now required to provide their customers with separate containers at front-of-house for food waste and food-soiled paper, beverage containers and other recycling generated from products purchased and consumed on their premises. The collection containers must be visible, easily accessible to customers and clearly marked.

**Mandatory Organics Recycling Law Senate Bill (SB) 1383** *\*Check with your local municipality if you have a program in place.*  
Effective January 1, 2022, SB 1383 requires all residents and commercial businesses in California to recycle food and yard waste (organics), along with food-soiled paper products, to combat climate change and increase edible food recovery.

Acceptable food waste includes fruits, vegetables, pasta, grains, rice, beans, dairy, prepared food, eggshells and bones. Acceptable food-soiled paper includes napkins, tea bags, coffee grounds and paper bags/plates/towels.

Unacceptable materials include trash, recyclables, liquids, fats, oil, grease, diapers, treated or painted wood, pet waste, dirt, rocks, sand, ash, concrete or plastic bags.

Please contact Republic Services at **714.847.3581**  
or email **[Recycle437@RepublicServices.com](mailto:Recycle437@RepublicServices.com)**.  
For more information, visit **[RepublicServices.com/HuntingtonBeachCA](https://RepublicServices.com/HuntingtonBeachCA)** or **[CalRecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp](https://CalRecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp)**.

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# What Goes in Your Container?

## Recycling / Reciclaje

All recyclables must be empty, clean, and dry  
*Todo material reciclable debe estar vacío, limpio y seco*

### Acceptable Items / Artículos aceptables

- ✓ Paper and cardboard  
*Papel y cartón*
- ✓ Metal (small pieces)  
*Metal (piezas pequeñas)*
- ✓ Glass bottles and jars  
*Botellas y frascos de vidrio*
- ✓ Mixed rigid plastic containers  
*Contenedores mixtos de plástico rígido*



Do not place recyclables in a bag / *No coloque materiales reciclables en una bolsa*

## Trash / Basura

### Acceptable Items / Artículos aceptables

- ✓ Plastic utensils  
*Utensilios de plástico*
- ✓ Broken dishware  
*Vajilla quebrada*
- ✓ Food-soiled plastic/metal containers  
*Contenedores de plástico/metal manchados de comida*
- ✓ Snack wrappers and chip bags  
*Bolsas y envolturas de botanas*
- ✓ Pet waste  
*Desechos de mascotas*
- ✓ Diapers  
*Pañales*
- ✓ Coated paper products  
*Productos de papel recubierto*
- ✓ Polystyrene foam  
*Espuma de poliestireno*



## Organics / Orgánicos

### Acceptable Items / Artículos aceptables

- ✓ Fruits and vegetables  
*Frutas y verduras*
- ✓ Dairy products  
*Productos lácteos*
- ✓ Bread  
*Pan*
- ✓ Meat and seafood (including bones and shells)  
*Carnes y mariscos (incluyendo huesos y conchas)*
- ✓ Food-soiled paper (including napkins and paper towels)  
*Papel sucio de comida (incluyendo servilletas y toallas de papel)*



Clear plastic bags, paper bags, or no bags

*Bolsas de plástico transparentes, bolsas de papel o sin bolsas*

## Hazardous Waste / Residuos peligrosos

These items should never be mixed with regular recycling or waste and require special handling.  
*Estos artículos nunca deben mezclarse con reciclaje o desechos regulares y requieren un manejo especial.*



### Proper Battery Recycling / Reciclaje adecuado de baterías

Did you know that hundreds of preventable fires are caused each year by the unsuitable disposal of battery-powered electronics? In addition, batteries contain harmful materials that are hazardous to people and the environment, and they should not be included with your trash or curbside recycling. You can properly dispose of batteries at a household hazardous waste (HHW) collection center in Orange County. For more information, call Orange County at **714.834.6752**, or visit **OCLandfills.com**.

*¿Sabía que cada año se producen cientos de incendios evitables debido a la eliminación inadecuada de dispositivos electrónicos que funcionan con baterías? Además, las baterías contienen materiales nocivos que son peligrosos para las personas y el medio ambiente, y no deben incluirse en la basura ni en el reciclaje. Puede deshacerse adecuadamente de las baterías en un centro de recolección de HHW en el condado de Orange. Para obtener más información, llame al Condado de Orange al **714.834.6752** o visite **OCLandfills.com**.*

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