



## Organics Recycling Requirements

While you might not be aware of the California-mandated legislation affecting businesses and multi-family housing complexes with five (5) or more housing units within one building, the following State Assembly Bill has been adopted and your action may be necessary to comply.

### Assembly Bill 1826 (Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling)

This bill requires all businesses generating more than four (4) cubic yards of solid waste per week to recycle food waste and landscape waste and multi-family housing complexes with five (5) or more units within one building, that generate four (4) cubic yards of solid waste or more per week, to recycle their organic waste material. Organic waste includes green waste, landscape and pruning waste, and nonhazardous wood waste.

Helping the business community with their waste and recycling needs is our specialty. Burrtec representatives will assist you with recycling options and implementing these recycling requirements. You can visit our website at [www.burrtec.com](http://www.burrtec.com), email us at [customerservice@burrtecdesert.com](mailto:customerservice@burrtecdesert.com), or call (760) 340-2113.



## Construction and Demolition Hauling Requirements



Cities are required by state law to reduce the amount of material that is being hauled to landfills. In order to do this, the City created the Construction and Demolition Waste Diversion Program to divert material that can be used for recycling or reuse. Burrtec is the only authorized hauler. No unauthorized collection containers are allowed. If you are having work done on your building, please ensure that your contractor is aware of the provision.

For more information, call Customer Service at 760-340-2113.

### Contact Information

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**Hours of Operation**  
Monday - Friday  
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### Holiday Schedule

No service on these holidays

- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Day

When the holiday falls on a weekday, collections for the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day. There is no service interruption or delay when the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday.

## Is Your Business Compliant with Assembly Bill 341?

California Assembly Bill 341 (Mandatory Commercial Recycling) requires businesses and public entities that generate four (4) cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week, to have a recycling program in place. This includes multi-family housing complexes with five (5) or more units within one building. Recycling not only conserves our natural resources, but can save money by reducing waste disposal costs. Burrtec representatives can assist in selecting the appropriate recycling service level, along with the necessary education and outreach to residents and managerial staff. Call our customer service department at 760-340-2113 today to schedule a complimentary waste and recycling assessment.

### Contamination of Recyclables Could Result in a Fee

Burrtec is working with Coachella Valley cities to raise awareness of the importance of recycling, increase recycling participation, and eliminate contamination from recycling and organics collection containers. This initiative is pertinent to the efforts of your community's continued recycling success as the state of California mandates become more critical. Please review the details below regarding Burrtec's contamination fee/policy.



Trash and other contaminants in the recycling or organics collection container(s) could result in a fee and non-collection due to contamination. After the first warning, customers may be charged a contamination fee and the container may not be serviced until contaminants are removed. Please note: a contamination fee will be automatically assessed if hazardous or biohazardous materials are placed in any collection container.

Not sure about what goes in each container? Visit [www.burrtec.com](http://www.burrtec.com) or call Burrtec Customer Service at (760) 340-2113 for assistance. As always, thank you for being a loyal Burrtec customer!

### Know Before You Throw

Place these types of materials in your recycling container.

- ✓ Aerosol cans (must be completely empty)
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Cardboard
- ✓ Cartons (milk, juice and broth)
- ✓ Cereal boxes (remove wax paper lining)
- ✓ Computer paper
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Glass bottles, jars
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Laundry bottles
- ✓ Magazines/catalogs
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ Paper tubes
- ✓ Phone books
- ✓ Plastic bottles and containers #1– #7
- ✓ Plastic milk jugs
- ✓ Foam packaging blocks (such as the foam blocks that protect new televisions or computers)
- ✓ Tin cans
- ✓ Wrapping paper



### Hidden Dangers from Improper Handling and Disposal of Batteries

Cordless and mobile devices are everywhere! So are the batteries that power them. Rechargeable and single-use batteries both contain toxic and corrosive components that pose a major fire risk and must be disposed of properly. When batteries break or split open they may spark fires that produce toxic and harmful fumes that can be difficult to extinguish. The past few years have shown a significant increase in recycle center and processing facility fires due to improper disposal of lithium-based batteries.

Please be aware of how to properly dispose of items with hazardous materials such as lithium-ion batteries. These items include mobile phones, laptops, cameras, and rechargeable power tools. They don't go in a recycle container with your bottles, cans, paper and cardboard, or in the trash container, they need to be recycled separately because of the hazardous issues associated with them.

Be conscious of these hazards and mindful of what is acceptable in trash and recycle containers. Please "Know Before You Throw." Know how and where to properly dispose of hazardous waste before you throw it out.