

Zero IN Vacaville Dixon

AB 1826 Phase Two Kicks In



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The second phase of State regulations described in Assembly Bill 1826 is now in effect. Previously, these regulations only applied to customers who generate eight or more cubic yards of organic waste. As of January 1, 2017, customers generating four or more cubic yards must comply with the regulations.

AB 1826 requires that commercial customers who generate the quantity of organic waste specified by the legislation must have a compost program in place to recycle organics.

The good news is that **Recology** is ready to help with these regulations and others. Assembly Bill 341 is a related regulation that has been in effect since 2012. AB 341 mandates that businesses that generate four cubic yards or more of trash per week must subscribe to recycling service. Multi-family residential properties with five or more units must also subscribe.

Fortunately, implementing a recycling program that complies to all regulations is easy. **Recology** has recycling experts who will work with you to custom design a commercial recycling program that works best for your business.

Contact **Recology** now to get your recycling programs up and running smoothly. We have solutions and are ready to help!

Keep Everyone Safe!

Items that are flammable, explosive, or just dangerous to handle must never be placed out for collection. Boat flares, caustic chemicals, hypodermic needles, propane tanks, fireworks, and other dangerous items can easily explode or catch fire when collected.



Dangerous items like these put **Recology** drivers and material handlers at risk. Drivers and material handlers are always concerned when dangerous items are discovered mixed in with collected materials. Call **Recology** or click calrecycle.ca.gov for disposal and recycling help.

Recology Hay Road is a drop-off site for commercial used oil and filters. There is no charge to drop off oil and filters to this facility.

What Can and Cannot be Recycled

Recology Vacaville Solano and Dixon's composting programs satisfy the requirements of AB 1826. Commercial customers who generate organic waste are now able to place an expanded number of items out for collection. Listed below are the acceptable and **unacceptable** materials for the compostable program.

Acceptable Compostables

Green Waste: branches (no larger than 3" in diameter), brush, floral trimmings, grass clippings, leaves, tree trimmings, weeds.

Food Waste: bones, breads, eggshells, fruits, meat, poultry, rice, seafood, shellfish, vegetables.

Organics: coffee grounds & filters, napkins, paper milk cartons, paper tea bags (not nylon or synthetic tea bags), paper towels & plates, pizza boxes, untreated wood (including chopsticks).

Unacceptable Materials

Ashes; bio-degradable plastics; construction & demolition waste; cornstarch items; dirt, rock & concrete; garbage; pet & human excrement; food service gloves; Styrofoam and packing peanuts.

Assembly Bill 1826

- Adopted September 28, 2014.
- On and after April 1, 2016, businesses that generate 8 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2017, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- On and after January 1, 2019, businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week shall arrange for recycling services.
- Returning organic materials to soils reduces greenhouse gases and conserves landfill space.
- Food is the largest single source (15.5%) of all waste in California.
- More than six million tons of food products are discarded in California landfills every year.
- The **Recology** compost facility has been converting food waste and green waste into rich organic compost for years.

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