



# Recycling & Compost for Commercial Customers

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# Single Stream Recycling

You can now place all of your recyclables into one container. Commercial customers that subscribe to garbage collection service are entitled to Single-Stream recycling service at no additional charge.

By increasing recycling and reducing your garbage, it's possible to lower your garbage service level, which may result in cost savings. You can also show your customers, employees or tenants that you care about your impact on the environment and increase your visibility as a community leader.

That is an opportunity you can't afford to pass up, which is why recycling is truly smart business!



## UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Food and food contaminated packaging
- Garden hoses
- Packing peanuts
- Paper towels, napkins, facial tissue
- Styrofoam

For recycling and reuse options of the materials listed above, please visit [RecologySouthBay.com](http://RecologySouthBay.com). If you have questions about the recycling program, please call **Recology Cupertino** at 408.725.4020.

## PLASTICS

- All plastics, with or without symbols #1-#7, flower pots, bottles, buckets & party cups
- Plastic bags
- Bubble wrap
- Plastic utensils (not cornstarch or compostable ut
- PVC Piping (must fit in container)
- Straws
- Tubs (includes butter, cottage cheese, margarine, sour cream and yogurt containers)



## GLASS AND ALUMINUM

- Glass bottles and jars (labels and lids are OK)
- Aluminum and bi-metal cans
- Aluminum foil (clean, no food)



## MIXED PAPER

- Phone books, catalogs, magazines, newspapers
- Books (paperback and hardcover)
- Cereal, cracker and frozen food boxes (plastic liners removed)
- Envelopes, junk mail, paper bags
- Shredded paper (please put into a paper bag before placing in recycling cart)



## CARDBOARD

- Aseptics (paper cartons that include boxed soups, juice boxes and soy containers).
- Cardboard must be flattened to fit inside recycling container with lid closed.



**According to the EPA, 63.9 percent of what goes into landfills is paper, plastic, metal and glass!**



# Compost Program

Think there isn't anything you can compost? Think again!

Don't send your food scraps and organic material to the landfill; compost them instead.

We encourage you to use Recology programs to start composting at your facility.

A successful program can help conserve natural resources and save landfill space.

## GREEN WASTE

- Branches (no larger than 3 inches 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 ITEMS:

- Ashes
- Bio-Degradable Plastics\*
- Construction & Demolition (C & D)
- Cornstarch Items\*
- Dirt, Rock, Concrete
- Garbage
- Pet & Human Excrement
- Plastic Bags
- Recyclable Items

If you have questions about the green waste/organics program, please call **Recology Cupertino** at **408.725.4020**.

*\*Cornstarch materials and bio-degradable plastics have a longer decomposition break down period than green waste and organic material and therefore do not breakdown in our compost process. Please throw them in the trash.*

# Commercial Containers

Commercial containers come in a variety of sizes to suit your Recycle, Compost and Garbage service needs.

SIZE	LENGTH	WIDTH	HEIGHT
32-gallon	24.25"	19.25"	38.5"
64-gallon	31.75"	24.25"	41.75"
96-gallon	35.25"	29.75"	43.25"

The most common sized containers are listed below.\* Call Recology at **408.725.4020** for a free audit to help you get started. Visit the Environmental Services page at [www.cupertino.org](http://www.cupertino.org) for rates.



32-gallon

64-gallon

96-gallon

SIZE	DEEP	WIDE	HIGH
1.5-cubic yard	3'	7'	4'
2-cubic yards	4'	7'	5'
3-cubic yards	4'	7'	5'
4-cubic yards	5'	7'	4'
6-cubic yards	6'	7'	5'
8-cubic yards	6'	7'	8'

\*Container sizes may vary

Internal Compost containers are available at no additional charge, subject to availability.



## Assembly Bill 341 Mandatory Commercial Recycling

California Assembly Bill (AB) 341 requires all businesses that generate four (4) or more cubic yards of garbage per week and multi-family dwellings with five (5) or more units to recycle by July 1, 2012. **Recycling services are FREE!**

Multi-family dwellings include apartments, townhomes and condominiums.

The purpose of the law is to:

- Reduce garbage from landfills
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions

To learn more about AB 341 visit:  
[calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/recycling/faq.htm](http://calrecycle.ca.gov/climate/recycling/faq.htm)