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Annual Waste Service Guide Cupertino 2022-2023

Important Contacts



Recology South Bay

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Customer Service Department: (408) 725-4020 To pay your residential bill: (408) 418-5288

Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



City of Cupertino

cupertino.org/nowaste (408) 777-3236 environmental@cupertino.org

Countywide Recycling Info

recyclestuff.org (800) 533-8414

Household Hazardous Waste

HHW includes paint, cleaners, pesticides, light bulbs, propane, drugs, batteries, etc. hhw.org (408) 299-7300

Home Composting Education Program

Register for a free home composting class at ucanr.edu/compost or call (408) 918-4640



What Goes Where? 🗘

Recycle Cart

Plastics

- All plastics containers
- Bubble wrap and other clean, dry plastic bags and film plastic (bagged)



- Empty aerosol cans
- · Aluminum, steel, and bi-metal cans
- Aluminum foil (no food)
- Glass bottles and jars

Mixed Paper

- Books (paperback and hardcover)
- Cereal and cracker boxes (plastic liners removed)
- Envelopes, junk mail, paper bags
- Shredded paper (in a paper bag stapled or taped closed)

Cardboard

- Flattened cardboard
- Oversized cardboard must be flattened, no larger than 3ft x 3ft, and bundled or neatly stacked next to the recycling cart
- No styrofoam[™], utensils, straws, or stir sticks

When sorting recyclable materials, there are three simple rules:

EMPTY, CLEAN. and DRY!







Empty any residual food or liquid or scrap off debris.

Organics Cart

Food Scraps

- Fruits and vegetables
- Meat, poultry, and seafood
- Rice, beans, and pasta
- Eggshells
- Dairy products (no liquids)



Yard Trimmings

- Branches and brush
- Flowers and floral trimmings
- Grasses and weeds
- Leaves and tree trimmings

Soiled Paper Products

- · Paper bags, napkins, towels, cups, and plates
- Coffee filter and paper tea bags
- Uncoated paper take-out
- Paper cartons and containers
- Greasy pizza boxes
- Paper take-out boxes and containers



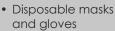
O No compostable plastic containers, poison oak, stumps, or bug infested material



Collect your food scraps in newspaper, paper bags, or BPI certified compostable plastic bags.

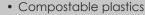
Garbage Cart

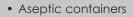
- Chip bags, candy, granola bar wrappers, dirty plastics, and dirty foil
- Cat litter and pet waste
- Diapers and feminine products





 Styrofoam[™] packing peanuts, meat trays, and other packing material







- Dirty packaging
- Straws and plastic utensils
- Ashes and coals, cooled in a container
- · Textiles, leather, and hangers



No batteries, chemicals, paints, food waste, or clean recycable materials







Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

- Paint, solvents, pesticides, fluorescent light tubes, propane tanks, fire extinguishers, medications, and smoke detectors
- Visit hhw.org or call (408) 299-7300 to schedule a drop-off appointment
- Additional disposal options are available for paint, medication, and sharps. Visit paintcare.org or medproject.org to learn more





2022 Holiday Collection Schedule

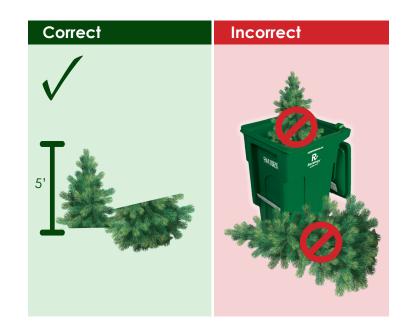
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11/21 Regular Service	11/22 Regular Service	11/23 Regular Service	11/24 No Service Thanksgiving Day, Office Closed	11/25 Service for Thursday Customers	Service for Friday Customers

No collection changes December 19 to January 1

Holiday Tree Recycling

Before setting your tree on your curb for pickup by January 31:

- 1. Remove decorations and tinsel (flocked trees okay)
- 2. Cut trees to five feet or less
- 3. Place smaller pieces in the organics cart with the lid closed
- Place your tree pieces and carts roadside on your collection day and make sure your cart lid is closed
- 5. Please ensure lid is closed



2023 Environmental Days

Recology South Bay offers quarterly recycling and reuse events as an opportunity for residents to drop off difficult-to-recycle materials. For event dates, visit **cupertino.org/environmentalday**.

Acceptable Materials

- Confidential documents for shredding three box limit
- Yard Waste
- Batteries, cell phones, fluorescent bulbs
- Computers, monitors, printers, etc.
- Appliances: washer, dryers, non freon refrigerators, microwaves, toasters. No freon.

Unacceptable Materials

- No products containing toxic chemicals (paints, pesticides, fertilizers)
- No painted or treated wood
- No mattresses
- No kitchen appliances that contain freon







It's Easy to Compost in Cupertino

Step 1: Collect food scraps in the kitchen.

Include scraps from cooking, plate-scrapings after meals, and moldy food from the fridge.

Handy tip: To keep things clean, use paper bags, newspaper, or BPI-certified compostable plastic bags.



Step 2: Empty into green compost cart.



cupertino.org/foodscraps

Cart Set-Out

Place CFL bulbs and household batteries in clear bags on top of recyclables cart, tape battery ends before bagging.

Sealed used motor oil and cooking oil jugs, sealed used oil filter bag.





Batteries contain toxic metals and can be flammable.

On-Call Collection

To schedule, call **(408) 725-4020** Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or email **recologysouthbay@recology.com**

- Items must be set out on private property (entrance to your driveway), not on the street or the sidewalk
- Total set out not to exceed 4ft high x 4ft wide x 8ft long

Each household can schedule two of the following services at no additional cost:

Construction and Demolition Debris

- Debris must be in containers, no more than 50 lbs each, and not more than 250 lbs total.
- Unaccepted: Pressure treated wood (e.g. railroad ties)

Bulky Goods

- Bulky goods are items that weigh more than 50 lbs or exceed six feet in length
- Limit of three items per bulk pick up
- Unaccepted: Items with oil, diesel, or gasoline

Garbage

- Waste is limited to normal household debris
- Debris must be containerized
- Container not to exceed 50 lbs

Yard Waste and Clean Wood Waste

- Clean unpainted and untreated wood must be neatly stacked, boxed or in a container
- Items fewer than 50 lbs and less than six feet in length
- Branches less than six inches in diameter
- Unaccepted: Stumps, poison oak, or bug-infested material; Loose piles or organics placed in plastic bags; Painted, stained, pressure treated wood (e.g. railroad ties)