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Sonoma Marin
WASTE ZERO

The Recology® **RESOURCE**

So, You Think You Can Recycle? See Page 3!

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A Recology Sort Line Worker Sorts a load of single-stream recycling

FALL UPDATES

As we approach the end of our first year in Sonoma and Marin counties, we have to take a moment to say “Thank You!” for all of the local support we have received. Have you seen us hosting a table at a community event? We have been to over 60 of them so far this year. We love meeting our customers, answering questions, and providing educational materials. We are truly inspired by how passionate our customers are about recycling AND composting – and doing it correctly too!

Speaking of compost service, we are proud to say that we have added or increased compost service at over 200 commercial accounts this year. This includes schools, restaurants, markets, hardware stores, florists, hospitals, and apartment complexes. That is a lot of material that was once going to the

landfill and is now being turned into nutrient-rich compost instead.

That being said, this year has not been without challenges. China continues to enforce it’s “National Sword” policy. This places strict regulations on the amount of acceptable contamination allowed in the bales of recyclable materials they import. While some cities in the US have abandoned recycling because of this, we are working harder than ever to make sure our materials are clean and dry so they can continue to be recycled. This means it is imperative to keep contaminants such as food waste and plastic bags out of your recycling bins and carts. One of the worst contaminants we receive are hypodermic needles. We have seen an increase of these mixed with recyclables which is extremely dangerous to our sort-line

workers. You can find information on what to do with sharps on page 5 of this newsletter.

Albert Einstein once said “In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity”. **While recycling is on the forefront of the collective consciousness, we see the challenges we are experiencing as an opportunity to encourage and educate our customers as much as possible.** Please reach out if you have any questions, follow us on Facebook, and help us spread the good word of “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recologize!”

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WHERE DOES IT GO?

<u>WHAT?</u>	<u>WHERE?</u>	<u>WHY?</u>
 <p>Plastic Cup <i>Vaso de Plástico</i></p>	<p>Recycle <i>Reciclar</i></p>	<p>China and Southeast Asia are still accepting this material for recycling as long as it is empty & dry.</p>
 <p>"Compostable" Plastic <i>Plástico Compostable</i></p>	<p>Garbage <i>Basura</i></p>	<p>Does not break down into compost at the facilities where we take material. Cannot be recycled.</p>
 <p>Plastic Bags & Film <i>Bolsas de plástico y películas</i></p>	<p>Garbage <i>Basura</i></p>	<p>Not recyclable in a single-stream system. Gets tangled in sorting equipment.</p>
 <p>Plastic Utensils & Straws <i>Utensilios y pajitas de plástico</i></p>	<p>Garbage <i>Basura</i></p>	<p>Not recyclable in a single-stream system. Too small to be sorted properly.</p>
 <p>Plastic Clamshells <i>Cajas Para Comida Para Llevar</i></p>	<p>Recycle <i>Reciclar</i></p>	<p>China and Southeast Asia are still accepting this material for recycling as long as it is empty & dry.</p>
 <p>Shredded Paper <i>Papel en Trizas</i></p>	<p>Compost <i>Abono</i></p>	<p>Breaks down into compost. Contain in paper bags to prevent blowing away. Too small for recycling.</p>
 <p>Boxes with Styrofoam <i>Cajas Con Poliestireno</i></p>	<p>Recycle & Garbage <i>Reciclar y Basura</i></p>	<p>Styrofoam & film plastic are not recyclable. Clean & dry cardboard is recyclable. Make sure to separate.</p>
 <p>Waxed Cardboard <i>Carton Encerado</i></p>	<p>Garbage <i>Basura</i></p>	<p>In most cases "waxed" cardboard actually has a plastic coating. Therefore it cannot be recycled.</p>
 <p>Milk Cartons <i>Cartones de Leche</i></p>	<p>Recycle <i>Reciclar</i></p>	<p>Milk cartons and aseptic containers such as soy milk and juice boxes are recyclable.</p>
 <p>Food Scraps <i>Restos de Comida</i></p>	<p>Compost <i>Abono</i></p>	<p>ALL food scraps are compostable except in the communities of Stinson Beach & Bolinas.</p>
 <p>Coffee Cups <i>Taza de Café</i></p>	<p>Garbage <i>Basura</i></p>	<p>Coffee cups have a plastic liner which prevents them from being recyclable or compostable.</p>

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

There **will be regular service** on **Thanksgiving, November 22nd. Christmas and New Year's Day** fall on a Tuesday this year. Customers with Tuesday - Friday service will be serviced Wednesday - Saturday. You can always check your service schedule at www.recology.com/RSMschedules.

HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING

Drop-off Locations December 26th - January 16th Daily 8am - 5pm:

Point Reyes Fire Station, 4th & B Streets
Tomales Fire Station, 599 Dillon Beach Rd.
Woodacre Fire Station, 33 Castle Rock Rd.

Compost Carts:

Clean holiday trees may be cut to fit inside your compost cart at any time. Remove lights, tinsel, and ornaments. Flocked trees will not be accepted. The lid of your cart must be closed.

HORARIO DE COLECCIONES DE VACACIONES

Habr  servicio de recolecci n de basura el jueves 22 de noviembre de 2018 (D A DE ACCI N DE GRACIAS). NO habr  servicio el Martes 25 de diciembre de 2018 (NAVIDAD) y el martes 1 de enero de 2019 (AÑO NUEVO) Recolecci n de basura ser  de mi rcoles a s bado. Puede confirmar sus fechas de servicio en www.Recology.com/RSMschedules.

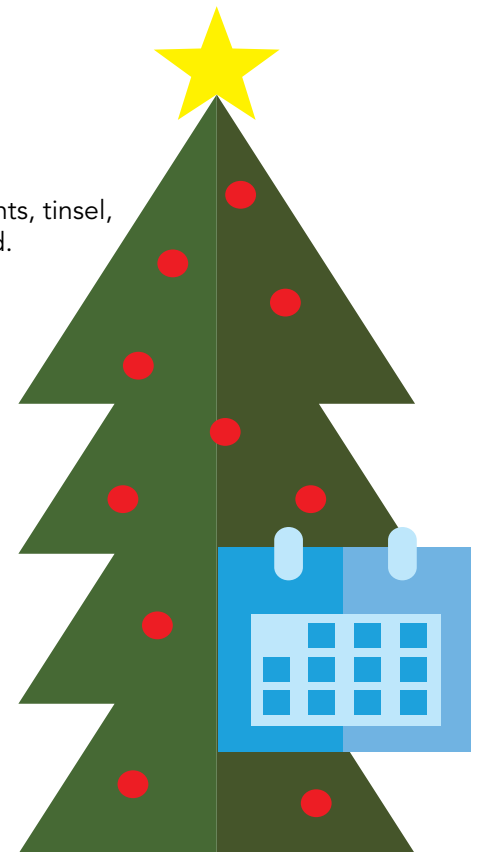
RECICLAJE DE  RBOLES DE VACACIONES

Ubicaciones de entrega del 26 de diciembre al 16 de enero Diario 8am - 5pm:

Estaci n de bomberos de Point Reyes, calles 4 y B
Estaci n de bomberos de Tomales, 599 Dillon Beach Rd.
Estaci n de bomberos de Woodacre, 33 Castle Rock Rd.

Carros de compost:

Se pueden cortar  rboles de vacaciones limpios para que quepan dentro de su carrito de compost en cualquier momento. Quitar las luces, oropel, y adornos. No se aceptar n  rboles flocados. La tapa de su carrito debe estar cerrada.



Tips For Reducing Holiday Waste

Gifts

- Give a consumable gift. Local honey, cookies or a home cooked meal will always be appreciated.
- Share a service you can provide. Offer car repair, yard work, or home improvement services.
- Make a donation in the recipient's name to a favorite charity.
- Shop for one-of-a-kind gifts at antique stores, estate sales, thrift stores or flea markets.

Gift-Wrap

- Give gifts in reusable tote bags or baskets.
- Design your own gift wrap by using paper bags and adding decorations such as drawings or stamped patterns.
- Wrap gifts in the comics section of the paper, old posters, or maps.
- Reuse your bows, ribbons, boxes, and gift bags.

HAZARDOUS WASTE

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Zero Waste Marin Sponsors the HHW Facility at 565 Jacoby Street in San Rafael. The facility accepts household hazardous waste from 8:00am - 3:30pm Tuesday - Saturday.

Household hazardous waste such as aerosols, batteries, electronics, cosmetics, florescent bulbs, fuels, household cleaners, paints, Motor oil and filters, and even sharps (in approved containers only) can be brought during business hours without an appointment. Explosives, ammunition, radioactive waste, medical or biological waste, and medications are not accepted.

Commercial Drop-Off Available

By appointment only.
8:00am - 3:00pm Tuesday - Wednesday
Fees apply.

For more information, visit MarinHHW.com or call the HHW hotline at 415.485.8606.

Zero Waste Marin Patrocina la instalación de residuos domésticos peligrosos en San Rafael.

Ubicado en 565 Jacoby Street, la instalación de reciclaje acepta residuos domésticos peligrosos de 8:00a-3:30p de martes a sábado

Residuos domésticos peligrosos como los aerosoles, Baterías, electroelectrónicos, cosméticos, bombillas fluorescentes, combustibles, limpiadores para el hogar, pinturas e incluso objetos cortantes.(Solo en recipientes aprobados) se puede traer sin cita. No se aceptan explosivos, municiones, desechos radioactivos, desechos médicos o biológicos y medicamentos.

Entrega comercial disponible

Solo con cita.
8:00am - 3:00pm martes a miércoles
Se aplican tarifas.



Para más información visite MarinHHW.com o llame a la línea directa de HHW al 415.485.8606.

E-Waste
Residuos electrónicos



Motor Oil
Aceite de Motor



Sharps
Agujas



Batteries
Baterías



Household Toxics
Toxics del Hogar



WASTE ZERO SERVICES



Let our Waste Zero Team help your business, multi-family dwelling, or school divert as many materials as possible away from the landfill.

WE OFFER (AT NO CHARGE):

- Technical assistance from Waste Zero Specialists
- Employee trainings & school presentations
- Educational tables at events
- Posters, labels, magnets, & window clings
- Indoor green & blue containers

To reach our Waste Zero Team, call **800.243.0291** or email **RecologySonomaMarin@Recology.com**.

Thank you to the following West Marin businesses and schools who have successful compost programs:

- Flower Power
- Hog Island Oyster Company
- Laguna School
- Lagunitas Grocery
- Lincoln School
- Marin Community Farm Stands
- Palace Food
- Rancho Nicasio Bar & Restaurant
- Shoreline Unified School
- Straus Family Creamery

