

# South Bay Fall 2019 Newsletter

## RECYCLE DRY PAPER, PLASTIC, GLASS & METAL

Please empty, clean and dry your recyclables before placing in cart.

Combine glass food & beverage jars, plastic bottles and tubs, papers and all metal food and beverage containers in your blue recycling cart or bin.



## Don't be a Wish-Cycler!

**WISH-CYCLING:** The practice of tossing questionable items in the recycling bin, hoping they can somehow be recycled.

Many of us wish everything was recyclable or compostable, however, wish-cycling jeopardizes recycling for everyone.

Search our website and use the "what bin" search tool. Type an item like "photos" and find out where it belongs. By the way, photos are not recyclable and belong in the garbage.

Go to [Recology.com](http://Recology.com) and click on "What Bin?"

¿Sabía que puede visitar nuestro sitio web y ver nuestros servicios en otros idiomas?

Consulte la pestaña de traducción en la parte inferior derecha de [Recology.com](http://Recology.com)

Bạn có biết bạn có thể truy cập trang web của chúng tôi và xem dịch vụ của chúng tôi trong những ngôn ngữ khác?

Xem tab Dịch ở phía dưới bên phải của [Recology.com](http://Recology.com)

# Recycle Cart MUST BE EMPTY, CLEAN, AND DRY.

## PLASTICS

- All plastics, with or without symbols, including flower pots, bottles, buckets
- Bubble wrap
- Plastic bags and film plastic **must be bagged together to be collected**



## GLASS AND ALUMINUM

- Aerosol cans (empty)
- Aluminum and bi-metal cans
- Aluminum foil (clean, no food)
- Glass bottles and jars



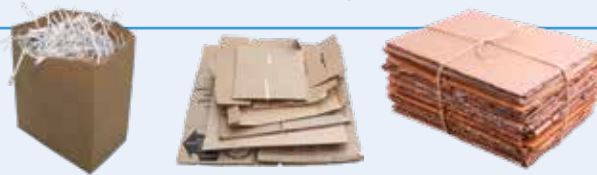
## MIXED PAPER

- Books (paperback and hardcover)
- Cereal and cracker boxes (plastic liners removed)
- Envelopes, junk mail, paper bags
- Shredded paper should be placed in a paper bag and stapled or taped closed before putting into the recycle cart



## CARDBOARD

- Cardboard must be flattened to fit inside recycling container with lid closed
- Oversize cardboard must be flattened no larger than 3ft x 3ft sections and bundled or neatly stacked next to the recycling cart



**\*Please empty all liquids from containers and rinse**

# Organics Cart

## FOOD SCRAPS

- Bread, grains and pasta
- Coffee grounds (and filters)
- Dairy
- Eggshells
- Fish, shellfish
- Fruit, including pits
- Meat, including bones
- Poultry
- Vegetables



## YARD TRIMMINGS

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



## SOILED PAPER PRODUCTS

- Paper bags, napkins and towels
- Coffee filters
- Paper cups (including disposable paper coffee cups) and plates
- Paper ice cream containers
- Paper take-out boxes and containers
- Paper tea bags
- Pizza Boxes
- Waxed cardboard and waxed paper



**Compostable plastics are not accepted in the organics cart**

# Garbage Cart

- Chip bags, candy and granola bar wrappers
- Kitty litter and pet waste
- Diapers and feminine products
- Styrofoam™ packing peanuts, meat trays, and other packing material
- Compostable plastics and cornstarch items
- Garden hoses, rubber gloves and extension cords
- Dirty plastic, metal, or plastic packaging
- Straws and plastic utensils
- Ashes
- Textiles, leather, hangers





## SERVICE REMINDERS

- Regular office hours are Monday thru Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Please set out materials by 6:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. A special charge may be incurred if collection trucks need to return for late set-outs or over-packed carts.
- Prior arrangements must be made with Recology for pick up of extra garbage by calling for extra garbage stickers.
- Stickers are available for purchase and have no expiration date.
- Attach one sticker to each securely closed 32 gallon garbage bag and place next to your cart.

## On-Call Collection

Did you know that **TWICE** a year you can schedule a **FREE** on-call collection?

Waste is limited to normal household debris. **No one item or container can exceed 70lbs or be longer than 6ft.** All items must be manageable by one person, and **fit within a 6ft long, 6ft wide, and 6ft high area.** All material must be bagged, boxed or bundled and placed curbside by 6 a.m.

**Dirt, rock, concrete, Freon-containing appliances, paint, and/or other hazardous materials will not be collected.**

Please call **408.970.5100** at least 48 hours in advance to schedule.

## BULKY ITEMS

Special pickups of bulky items, such as appliances, water heaters, furniture, BBQs, lawn mowers, etc.

For information or to schedule services, please call our Customer Service Department at **408.970.5100**.



## CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Before setting your tree out on your curb for pickup:

- **Make sure your organics cart is on the curb along with your tree**
- Cut trees not to exceed four (4) feet in length. Small pieces can go inside the cart, but the lid needs to be closed. Larger pieces can be placed outside the cart (as shown)
- Remove tree stand, decorations, and tinsel from trees
- Flocked trees are acceptable

### CORRECT

Cut trees not to exceed four (4) feet in length



### INCORRECT



# 2019 Holiday Collection Schedule

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
NOV 25 Regular service	NOV 26 Regular service	NOV 27 Regular service	NOV 28 <b>NO SERVICE</b> Thanksgiving Office Closed	NOV 29 Service for Thursday Customers	NOV 30 Service for Friday Customers
DEC 23 Regular service	DEC 24 Regular service	DEC 25 <b>NO SERVICE</b> Christmas Day Office Closed	DEC 26 Service for Wednesday Customers	DEC 27 Service for Thursday Customers	DEC 28 Service for Friday Customers
DEC 30 Regular service	DEC 31 Regular service	JAN 1 <b>NO SERVICE</b> New Year's Day Office Closed	JAN 2 Service for Wednesday Customers	JAN 3 Service for Thursday Customers	JAN 4 Service for Friday Customers

There will be no collection services on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day or New Years Day. If your regular collection day falls **on or after the holiday**, your service will be delayed by one day. Your regular collection service schedule will resume the week of January 6, 2020.



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*This holiday season, don't forget to*  
**REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE**



## Waste-free gifts:

Give an experience (movie tickets, gift certificate for spa treatments, restaurants, etc.) and wrap in cloth fabric, bag, or container that can be reused!