



SACRAMENTO REGIONAL
SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Mandatory Recycling and Organics Recycling Ordinance

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Dear Business Owner:

Effective February 23, 2020 your franchise waste hauler is required to provide containers for all three waste streams (trash, recyclables, and organic material) to all qualified customers. The Sacramento Regional Solid Waste Authority (SWA) adopted Ordinance 30 on January 22, 2020. This new requirement supplements SWA's existing requirements that businesses subscribe to organics and recycling collection services in addition to garbage collection.

Recycling services are mandatory for businesses in City of Sacramento and unincorporated Sacramento County subscribed to **4 cubic yards or more** of garbage service per week. In addition, organics recycling services are required of businesses subscribed to **4 cubic yards or more** of garbage and recycling (combined) per week.

Businesses cannot decline recycling or organic services from their hauler unless they self-haul, back-haul, share service or contract with a third party recycler. Businesses that do not use a franchise hauler must submit documentation and retain records approved by SWA (see below).

To be fully compliant with the law, businesses and property owners/managers must:

1. Provide recycling containers and services for all recyclable material: cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, glass containers and bottles, metal (aluminum and steel) cans and containers, and plastic bottles and containers;
2. Provide organic containers and services for food scraps, compostable paper, and plant debris; and,
3. Place no garbage in the recycling or organic containers/bins – containers must be contamination free.

Please contact SWA if your hauler does not offer you these services. If your property owner or manager provides waste hauling services, they are responsible for providing recycling and organic recycling services.

The business may comply by self-hauling, back-hauling, contracting with a third party recycler, or sharing service with another account holder. If so, complete Sections 1 and 2 of the "Service Verification and Waiver Request Form" online at WasteRightSac.com. Ensure to mark the applicable box(es) in Section 2 and provide supporting details. You will need to retain this form and all other approved documentation on-site, so it can be available upon request.

Please visit WasteRightSac.com for more information, or email us at SWAinfo@SacCounty.net. You can also call a Franchise Hauler to find out how they can help you comply with the Ordinance. Additionally, please reach out and utilize the free and confidential services the Business Environmental Resource Center (BERC) can provide by assisting business' in complying with these mandatory Ordinances. BERC can be reached at 916-874-2100 or emailed at BERCadmin@SacCounty.net.