

Benicia

Business & Apartment/Condo Newsletter



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Mandatory Organics Collection in Benicia

State Law AB 1826 requires businesses and apartment/condos that generate a certain amount of organic waste (i.e. food scraps, landscaping debris) to arrange for organic waste* recycling. All businesses generating 4 or more cubic yards of organic waste per week were required to arrange to recycle their organics by January 1, 2017. Starting January 1, 2019, businesses or complexes generating 4 or more cubic yards of commercial solid waste will be required to arrange for organics collection. For more information about AB 1826, visit: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Recycle/Commercial/Organics/

**Note: Apartments and condos are encouraged, but not required to have a food waste diversion program.*



Contact Republic Services at **(707) 747-0608** or email MKnutson@RepublicServices.com for organics rates and to find out when your business or apartment/condo complex is required to comply. Republic Services offers free site audits, educational materials, and training assistance.

Diverting organic waste from the landfill saves space (30%) and prevents the release of methane gas from organic matter breakdown. Methane is 23 times more potent than carbon dioxide as a greenhouse gas and is a significant contributor to global greenhouse gas emissions. — www.stopwaste.org

Businesses are Required to Provide Recycling and Composting Receptacles

The State of California passed AB 827, requiring businesses to provide recycling and/or composting receptacles to customers by July 1, 2020.

Republic Services can provide signage and bin stickers. Please call (925) 671-5814 or email MKnutson@RepublicServices.com

** NOTE: The containers pictured here are from Busch Systems, but you can use any kind.*



Mandatory Commercial Recycling

State law AB341 requires businesses generating 4 cubic yards or more of waste per week and apartments/condos with five or more units to arrange for recycling services. Increasing your recycling service and downsizing your garbage can lead to savings on your monthly bill. Recycling is also a great way to save natural resources, send less material to the landfill, and prevent pollution.

Republic Services offers free technical assistance and resources to help you set up or improve your recycling program.

Please contact your Republic Services Recycling Coordinator at MKnutson@RepublicServices.com or (925) 671-5814. For more information about AB 341, visit: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/



Empty. Clean. Dry.®

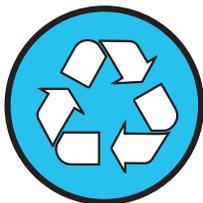
Here is how you can help meet the new requirements for recycling material cleanliness:



Empty. Remove any remaining food or liquid contents from your recyclable item before placing it in a recycling container.



Clean. Lightly rinse the recyclable item to remove any remaining residue.



Dry. Gently shake out excess water or let the recyclable item air dry before placing it in a recycling container.

It only takes one soda can with liquid still in it to contaminate all the office paper collected in the same recycle bin. As an employer, teach your staff to recycle correctly. If you need help with training or signage, contact your recycling coordinator: MKnutson@RepublicServices.com

My Resource™ Customer Website and Mobile App

The Republic Services My Resource™ tool makes it easy to manage your account. Register with My Resource™ online by visiting www.RepublicOnline.com or download the My Resource™ app to your phone or tablet, and use it to request service, exchanges, and removals or to make payments. For help with registration, contact Customer Service at (925) 685-4711.

CalGreen Building Code

The California Green Building Standards Code, known as CalGreen, is the first statewide green building code to be adopted in the United States. CalGreen is regularly updated in an effort to improve general public welfare by enhancing the design and construction of buildings and encouraging sustainable practices. Green building is a whole-systems approach for designing and constructing buildings that conserve energy, water, and material resources and are healthier, safer and more comfortable. For more information, go to www.calrecycle.ca.gov/greenbuilding/basics.



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