

ORGANICS AND RECYCLING COLLECTION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL MULTIFAMILY PROPERTIES

California law, Senate Bill 1383 (2016), requires residents in the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County to separate organics – food scraps, food-soiled paper, and green waste/yard trimmings from garbage. The law mandates the diversion of organics from landfill disposal to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

To comply with SB 1383, all multifamily property managers must provide separate containers for tenants to collect organics, recycling, and garbage.

HOW TO COMPLY

Contact your waste hauler to subscribe to organics and recycling collection service.

If the property already has the service, ensure the current level of service is sufficient for your property. See back for more on how to determine adequate organic and recycling collection containers for the number of tenants.

Property managers must also educate tenants on how to separate organics from garbage and recycling by:

- Educating new tenants within 14 days of their move-in;
- Providing all tenants with annual reminders; and
- Making all containers easily accessible for tenants.

MULTIFAMILY PROPERTY RESOURCES

Visit the SacGreenTeam.com Multifamily – Apt./Condo page for Tenant Letter Templates, Brochures, Container Labels, and more on required organics and recycling collection.



WHAT ARE ORGANICS?



Food Scraps

Cooked and raw food scraps, such as uneaten vegetables, fruits, meats, bones, baked goods, cheese.



Food-soiled Paper

Used napkins, coffee filters, tea bags, greasy pizza boxes, used paper plates and used paper cups (non-coated), etc.



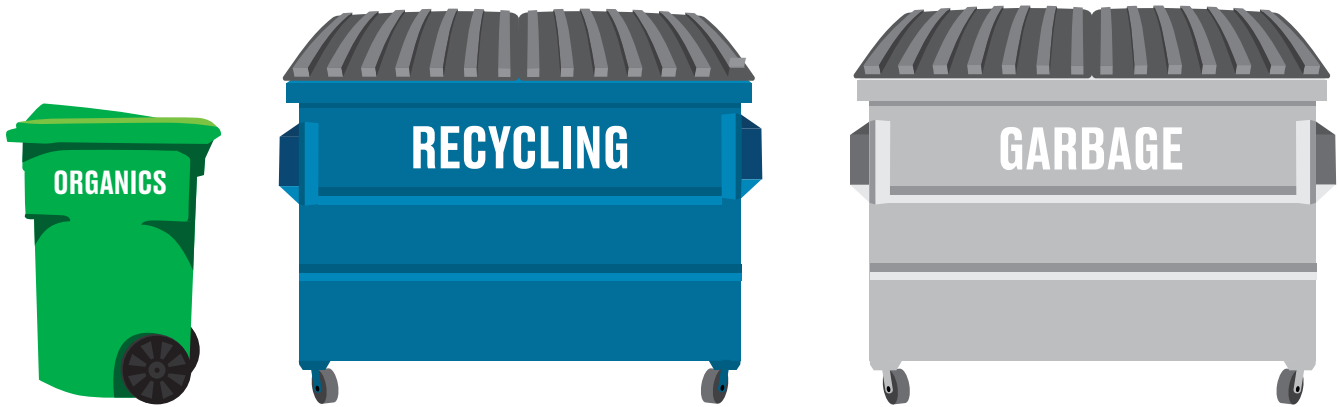
Yard Trimmings/ Green Waste

Grass clippings, small branches, leaves, cut flowers, garden trimmings, wood chips, and clean wood (no paint, no stain), etc.



Compostable bags are ok to use. Must be BPI-certified (ASTM-D6400)

HOW DO I MAKE ORGANICS AND RECYCLING COLLECTION EASY FOR MY TENANTS?



MAKE THE CONTAINERS EASY TO FIND

- ▶ Make sure the Recycling and Organics container(s) have clear labels. The Organics container(s) should identify food scraps, food-soiled paper and green waste. Contact your waste hauler for labels.
- ▶ Locate the Organics and Recycling container(s) next to the existing Garbage. If space is an issue, locate the Recycling and Organics containers near each other, with the Garbage container elsewhere.
- ▶ Post signs or maps with the Organics and Recycling container location in common areas where your tenants frequent – lobby, mailbox area, etc.

HAVE ENOUGH CONTAINERS FOR ALL TENANTS

One 64-gallon Organics container (approximately 25” wide x 32” deep x 42” high) is recommended for every 25 units. One 1-yard Recycling container is recommended for every 16 units. This allows tenants to correctly separate their organics and recycling, and ensures that all tenants can participate.

KITCHEN PAILS

Kitchen pails provide residents an easy and convenient way for collecting food scraps and food-soiled paper in the kitchen before emptying them in the Organics container(s).



A limited number of kitchen pails for tenants are available at no cost on a first come, first served basis.

As a property manager, you can request free kitchen pails to distribute to your tenants by contacting your hauler or emailing CommercialWaste@SacCounty.gov.

Email: CommercialWaste@SacCounty.gov **Phone:** (916) 874-4200

Please leave your name, property address, and phone number. Response within three business days.