

COMMON QUESTIONS

Is compost service required?

Yes. Starting Jan 1, 2022, compost service will be required by California state law. Jurisdictions have the authority to assess a fine for non-compliance.

How can I train my staff?

Recology offers free resources, including on-site and virtual trainings, to support the launch and success of your new compost program. To learn more on what goes where, visit here:

[Recology.com/Recology-San-Mateo-County/What-Goes-Where](https://www.recology.com/Recology-San-Mateo-County/What-Goes-Where)

How can I collect my organic materials?

Recology provides free internal containers as starter kits. Material can be bagged in clear plastic bags, loose, or BPI Certified compostable bags. No black bags.



Can I receive a waiver for my business?

Commercial businesses may be granted a waiver by RethinkWaste and exempted from some or all requirements if they can provide documentation and evidence to support one of the following:

De Minimis Waivers:

- Total solid waste collection is more than two cubic yards per week and organic waste volume is less than 20 gallons per week.
- Total solid waste collection is less than two cubic yards per week and organic waste volume is less than 10 gallons per week.

Space Constraint Waivers:

- Premises lack adequate space for all three waste streams (recycling, landfill, and organics).

Learn more at: [RethinkWaste.org/SB1383](https://www.RethinkWaste.org/SB1383)

BIN & CART SIZES

SIZE	DEPTH	WIDTH	HEIGHT
32-Gallon	24.25"	19.25"	38.50"
64-Gallon	31.75"	24.25"	41.75"
96-Gallon	35.25"	29.75"	43.25"
1-Cubic Yard	29.00"	82.00"	39.00"
2-Cubic Yard	40.00"	82.00"	53.00"
3-Cubic Yard	47.00"	82.00"	62.00"

Weight limits apply. Sizes are approximate.



QUESTIONS?

Contact Recology's Waste Zero Team to learn more about compost and recycling programs.

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Para obtener información en español, visite: [RethinkWaste.org](https://www.RethinkWaste.org)

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SENATE BILL 1383

New California Mandate Requires Businesses to Compost



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STATE ORGANICS BILL SB 1383

Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) is a law enacted by the State of California to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants.

The law seeks to achieve a 75% reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste and 20% reduction of edible food waste by January 1, 2025.

REQUIREMENTS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

Businesses that generate organic materials on-site will be required to:

- Subscribe to a compost program
- Provide collection containers for organic waste and recyclables in all areas where disposal containers are provided for customers (except for restrooms)
- Arrange to recover the maximum amount of their edible food that would otherwise go to landfills and maintain records of the recovery efforts. Learn more at RethinkWaste.org/SB1383

EDIBLE FOOD RECOVERY

For the recovery of edible food waste, edible food generators are split into two tiers and must arrange to recover the maximum amount of their edible food that would otherwise go to landfills and maintain records.

To learn if you are a tier one or tier two generator, visit RethinkWaste.org/SB1383

WHAT GOES IN THE COMPOST BIN?

We accept all food scraps, soiled paper products, and yard waste.



For more tips on reducing waste at your business, visit RethinkWaste.org

TOOLS

Recology's Waste Zero Team provides the following support, at no additional cost, to help ensure your compost program is a success:

- Internal Containers
- Posters and Stickers
- Trainings & Presentations
- Waste Evaluations to "right size" your collection services



WHY COMPOST?

FIGHTS CLIMATE CHANGE!

Composting organic material fights climate change by eliminating organics from decomposing in a landfill, which releases methane, a potent greenhouse gas, into the atmosphere.

SUPPORTS HEALTHY SOIL AND FARMLAND!

Compost is used on local farms and vineyards to support sustainable farming, which replenishes our soils by growing nutrient-rich foods, reduces water consumption and eliminates the need for harmful pesticides.