

Compostables:



Food scraps

Meat and bones
Fruits and vegetables
Dairy
Coffee grounds and filters
Grains and dough

Food Soiled Paper

Paper towels and napkins
Paper plates and cups
Take out containers
Milk, juice and ice cream cartons
Waxed Cardboard

Compostable Plastics

Starch based cutlery, cups, bags and to-go containers

Yard Trimmings

Cut flowers
Grass and plants
Woody debris (maximum size is 4' long 2"x4")

NO Fats or oils, Hazardous waste, Garbage, Animal waste, Dirt, Sod, Rock, Painted/treated wood, Pallets, Bamboo, Pampas grass, Palm, Yucca, Ivy.

Recycling:



Paper and Cartons

Empty and flatten all boxes and cartons. Tie shredded paper in a plastic bag. Staples, tape and plastic windows in envelopes are okay.

Books

Cardboard

Catalogs and magazines

Cereal and cracker boxes (remove liners)

Computer paper and office paper

Egg cartons

Gift wrap (no metallic/foil)

Juice boxes and cartons

Junk mail

Milk cartons

Newspaper and inserts

Paper bags

Shoe boxes

Shopping bags

Telephone books

NO Blueprint paper, Carbon paper, Padded, plastic or Tyvek® envelopes, Foil-wrapped beverage pouches, Frozen food packaging, Metallic or foil wrapping, Napkins or paper towels, Newspaper dirtied with paint, pet waste, food/grease, Personal hygiene products, Photographs or photo paper, Pizza boxes, Plastic or wax liners from food packages, Straws, Stickers (in sheets or rolls), Take-out containers, Thermal fax paper, Tissues.

Glass

Empty and rinse bottles & jars.
Brown, clear and green glass bottles and jars (beverage bottles, food jars, wine bottles)

NO Blue glass bottles, Ceramics, Coffee mugs, Cookware (Pyrex®), Dishware, Glass art, Glasses (drinking), Light bulbs, Mirrors, Windows.
Fluorescent lights are hazardous waste.

Plastics and Polystyrene

Recycle all plastic labeled on or near the bottom with a ♻️ symbol. Empty and rinse containers. Bundle plastic bags inside a plastic bag and knot the top. Tie foam packing peanuts in a plastic bag.

Beverage bottles (soda, water)

Bleach & household cleaner bottles

Egg cartons

Flower pots

Foam packing (hard packing around computers or stereos)

Food containers (cottage cheese and margarine tubs, yogurt cups)

Plastic bags (bread, dry cleaning, grocery, newspaper, produce, shopping bags)

Prescription bottles

Ridged plastic swimming pools

NO Bubble wrap, Credit cards, Cellophane food bags (pasta, bagged salad, candy, cookies), Disposable razors, Frozen food bags or pouches, Hoses (car, garden, appliance), Ointment and toothpaste tubes, Plastic WITHOUT numbers 1-7, Plastic or wax liners from food packaging, Plastic wrap, PVC pipes or tubing, straws, Blow up swimming pools, Tarps, Toys, Utensils, Webbing from lawn furniture.
Syringes and sharps are hazardous waste.

Textiles

If possible, donate textiles to charity. To recycle, tie fabrics in a clear plastic bag. Buttons and zippers can stay on clothing. No rags or textiles soiled with chemicals, oil or paint.

Clean cotton, linen, polyester, rayon and wool fabrics (blankets, clothes, cloth diapers, rags, sheets)

NO Shoes, Carpets, Disposable diapers, Down-filled items, Leather, Nylon, Pillows, Rubber, Stuffed animals, Vinyl.

Metals

Empty and rinse cans.
Call 408.283.9250 for information about recycling car parts and other metals.

Aerosol cans (empty)

Aluminum cans (empty)

Aluminum furniture (plastic webbing removed)

Aluminum pie pans and foil

Appliances (small metal)

Bimetal containers

Food cans and pet food cans

Metal lids and caps from glass bottles

Paint cans (remove excess, let residue dry)

Pots and pans

NO Hangers, Hoses, Keys, Nails, Screws, Nuts or bolts. *Fuel tanks (helium, propane, gas) are hazardous waste.*

Garbage:



Place all Non-Recyclable, Non-Compostable, Non-Hazardous items in your garbage container.

Place all compostables in your lime green compostables bin or green cart.

Place all recyclables into your white recycling bin or blue cart.

Place all garbage in your green garbage bin or brown cart.



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