



Why recycle?

- **Save Money** – Increase your recycling and watch your trash decrease. Then contact your refuse collector to reduce your trash pick-ups and your bill!
- **Go Green** – Recycling helps to promote your business or agency as environmentally-friendly. Being “green” is in!
- **Conserve Resources** – The more we recycle, the less we tap into our limited natural resources.
- **Create a Healthy Environment** – By reducing trash going into landfills we help preserve our environment for our community and future generations.
- **Cash in on Recycling** – Redeeming empty California Redemption Value (CRV) bottles and cans is a great way to raise money for an office party, charity, or just about anything.
- **It's the Law!** – AB-341 is a California law that requires businesses and public entities that produce 4 cubic yards or more of solid waste per week, and multifamily complexes with 5 or more units, to have a recycling program.

Local Refuse Collectors



Waste Management (WM)
369-8274



California Waste Recovery Systems
369-6887



Gilton Solid Waste Management
527-3781



Tracy Delta Disposal
835-0601



Allied Waste/Republic Services/Delta Container
466-3808

Questions?

www.SJCycle.org
or call (209) 468-3066

Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) Program.

If your business generates small quantities of hazardous materials that require proper disposal, the communities of San Joaquin County may be able to help. The CESQG program assists small business with regulatory compliance while reducing disposal costs. Go to www.SJCycle.org for details.



CALIFORNIA LAW – SMALL BUSINESS RECYCLING

A Guide for San Joaquin County Small Businesses & Multi-family Complexes to comply with AB-341



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IF YOU HAVE A 4 YARD OR LARGER DUMPSTER EMPTIED AT LEAST ONCE PER WEEK, YOU MUST HAVE A RECYCLING PROGRAM IN PLACE.

Start a Recycling Program in 3 Easy Steps

- 1. Do a Waste Audit** – Take a peek in your trash. Determine what is being thrown away that can be recycled. Chances are it's a LOT! Many businesses that have a recycling program in place save substantially on their trash bill by having less frequent trash pick-up services.
- 2. Select Your Program** – If you have a four yard waste container or more than 5 residential units, you must have a recycling program in place. Your program may be as small as CRV or a paper recycling program. If the waste audit shows that you have a lot of material that can be recycled (and you probably do), contact your refuse collector. Collectors are required to provide recycling options for business and multi-family residences. Contact information for refuse collectors in San Joaquin County is listed on the back of this brochure.
- 3. Distribute Containers & Spread the Word** – Make it easy to recycle by placing signs and distributing bins in the workplace, jobsite, agency or complex. Place them by the copier, under each desk, in the lunchroom and by entrances and exits. For multi-family complexes, provide recycling containers for each tenant. Talk to your employees, coworkers or tenants about your new recycling program. Recycling programs are more productive when employees or residents are on board. Designate a recycling leader or form a team to oversee the program.

What can be put in the recycling bin?

- Clean, dry paper – junk mail, file folders, school paper, printer paper, colored paper, shredded paper
- Newspapers, magazines, catalogs and phone books
- Cardboard boxes
- Clean, empty pizza boxes, frozen food boxes and shoe boxes
- Cereal boxes without the liner
- Non-foil gift wrapping paper
- Plastic containers and bottles
- Glass bottles and jars
- Metal and aluminum cans, TV trays or pie pans



What should **NOT** be put in the recycling bin?

- **NO** Contaminated or wet paper
- **NO** Plastic toys or hangers
- **NO** Diapers
- **NO** Plastic bags*
- **NO** Tires*
- **NO** Hazardous Waste* - paint, antifreeze, oil, batteries, pesticides, cleaning products, fluorescent bulbs, medications, medical sharps, appliances, cell phones, TVs, computers and monitors.

* For safe disposal and/or recycling of these items, see:

www.SJCreecycle.org

