



CITY OF CARSON ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING

News About Organic Waste

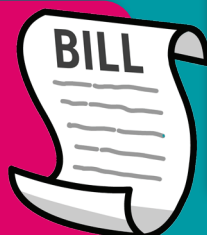
What is Organic waste?

Organic waste is defined as lawn and landscaping clippings, wood and lumber, food, food-soiled paper and other paper and cardboard products.



What is SB1383?

In 2016, The California Senate Bill (SB)1383, was signed into law, which expands organic recycling requirements to all California properties including private residences starting January 1, 2022.



What goes in the Organics/Green Waste Bin?

- Food scraps
- Food soiled paper (i.e. used pizza boxes, used paper napkins /paper towels, paper bags, paper containers)
- Grass, leaves, yard waste, plants, branches
- Coffee, coffee filters, tea bags
- Untreated wood and natural fibers (popsicle sticks, wooden chopsticks, toothpicks)

COMPOST YES		COMPOST NO	
Nuts	Breads, Cereals, Rice and Pasta	Plastic Bags or Wrappers	Foil
Salad	Vegetables	Plastic Coated Cardboard	Oil or Crisco
Egg Shells	Fruit	Styrofoam	
Flowers	Tea Bags and Loose Tea		
Coffee Grounds	Meat, Seafood Bones	Cheese and Dairy	
Uncoated Paper Plates	Uncoated Paper Bags	Paper Towels and Napkins (Kitchen Only)	Compostable Bags
			Compostable Kitchenware

ASSEMBLY BILL 1826

Businesses, including public entities, and multifamily complexes of 5 units or more that generate 2 or more cubic yards per week of waste are required to recycle their organic waste.



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

The SB 1383 establishes a goal of reducing the volume of organic waste disposed in California landfills by 75% by 2025. As organics break down in landfills, they create methane, a powerful greenhouse gas which the state of California has identified as a factor in climate change.

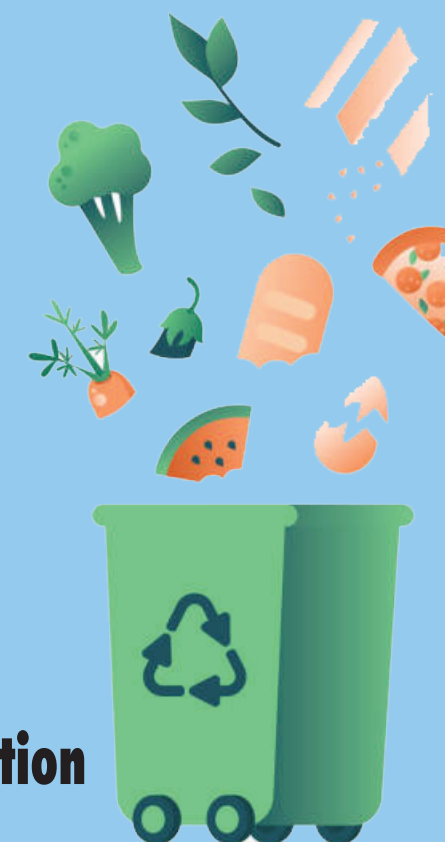
THE PROCESS

Carson residents already have a green cart for yard waste; continue placing yard waste as you normally would.

Additionally, residents will now be required to separate organic wastes, place them in clear plastic bags and put those bagged organic wastes into the green cart.

Commercial and Multifamily residences with 5 or more units (which produce 2 or more cubic yards of waste) per week will be provided a separate cart by Waste Resources if necessary.

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