Hazardous & Universal Waste

Hazardous and universal wastes are items that contain material deemed too toxic to be disposed of in landfills. These toxic materials, if buried in a landfill, could potentially contaminate our groundwater. The same applies to dumping them into storm drains, which lead directly to our oceans. Proper disposal is required for these materials.

Hazardous & Universal* Waste includes but is not limited to:

- Aerosol Cans (paint, pesticides)
- Automotive Products (motor oil, fluids, anti-freeze)
- Batteries (home and car)
- Cathode Ray Tubes (CRT's found in TV's & computer monitors)
- Electrical Switches
- Fluorescent Light Tubes and Ballasts
- Compact Fluorescent Lights
- Fuels
- Glue
- Herbicides and Pesticides
- Household Cleaners
- Medicines
- Mercury (thermostats)
- Paints
- Paint Products
- Polishes and Waxes
- Pool and Spa Chemicals
- Propane Tanks
- Sodium Vapor and Neon Bulbs
- Wood Stains and Preservatives

*Batteries, pesticides and mercury-containing equipment and light bulbs are designed as "Universal Wastes" by the EPA.

Further precautions must be taken to handle materials such as ammunition, explosives, medical waste, asbestos and radioactive waste. Consult a hazardous waste disposal company for the removal of these types of material.

Electronic Waste

Electronic waste (E-waste) is one of the fastest growing segments of our nation's waste stream. New products are outdated almost as soon as they are available for purchase, and the need for disposal is apparent. Consider donating e-waste items to schools, libraries, churches or other non-profit charities. If items are no longer useful, proper disposal is necessary. Call Waste Management for collection options.

E-waste consists of:

- Cell Phones
- Computers/CPU
- Computer Monitors
- Laptop Computers
- Photocopiers
- Printers/Scanners
- Fax Machines
- Stereos/Radios
- Tablets
- Telephones
- Answering Machines
- Televisions
- CD/VCR/DVD Players
- Microwave ovens

Business recycling made easy in the City of Carlsbad



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Recycling Is the Law:

On July 1, 2012, a new law became effective in the State of California. Assembly Bill (AB) 341 requires businesses that generate at least four cubic yards per week of solid waste and multifamily complexes with five units or more to have a recycling program in place.

Although California has been a national leader in solid waste diversion practices, a large amount of recyclables still end up in the landfill. Therefore, the law is designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by diverting waste



from landfills and to help reach California's recycling goal of 75% by the year 2020. Recycling also helps extend the life of our existing landfills and decreases the need to site new landfills.

In addition to state laws, the City of Carlsbad requires the separation of trash and recycling as listed in the Carlsbad Municipal Code Chapter 6.08.020: Required solid waste/recyclable materials/green waste handling.

Practice the "Three R's" Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

In addition to reducing the amount of material going into local landfills, recycling can help achieve substantial cost savings to our business and multifamily customers. In Carlsbad, recycling fees are less than half of what businesses pay for waste services. Let us help you help the environment, while potentially decreasing your monthly bill.

Lower fees are not only achieved through RECYCLING. Follow the other two Rs and REDUCE the amount of waste you generate in the first place, and give used items a second life by REUSE or donation.

Follow these tips to reduce your environmental footprint:

- Request vendors to pack shipments with reusable or recyclable material
- Reuse packaging material
- Set your printer or copier to automatically print double sided copies
- Reuse office supplies that are still in good shape such as file folders and binders
- Eliminate disposal dishes by purchasing reusable plates, glasses, cups and utensils
- Replace paper towels with automatic blow dry machines
- Place recycling containers by every work station and move the trash containers to one central area

Recycling Solutions:

Waste Management provides a number of solutions to help you meet your recycling needs. Waste Management's customer service department will assist you in tailoring a program that works best for your business, whether you are just starting a recycling program, or you are a seasoned recycler.

96-gallon carts – Ideal for small or medium sized offices that generate mostly paper and bottles and cans. Multi-family complexes with limited space also benefit.



3, 4 and 6 cubic yard bins – Ideal for medium and

larger businesses that generate cardboard boxes in addition to paper and bottles and cans. These include hotels, restaurants, grocery stores and retail shops.



Split-bins – This bin is a standard three-yard bin, which accommodates waste on one side and

recycling on the other. It has separately locking lids and is serviced by a trash truck and a recycling truck. It is best suited for businesses or multi-family



complexes that generate at least one and a half cubic yard of trash and recycling, but have no space for two separate containers.