



# **City of Irvine**

Residential Recycling and Refuse Service Guide

The City of Irvine and WM are proud to provide residents with a comprehensive guide of the recently expanded recycling and solid waste services offered by WM.

This guide provides important information pertaining to collection services, acceptable and non-acceptable materials, disposal information for needs outside of weekly collection, information on state-mandated legislation, recycling and diversion programs, and important contact information.

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# Recycling Programs & Information



### **Update on Organics Recycling!**

As of April 1, 2024, Irvine residents are now able to include biodegradable compostable bags in the green-lid organics container to containerize food scraps.

### **Recycle Right and Avoid Contamination**

Did you know that when an item that is not recyclable gets placed in your recycling cart it can potentially ruin the entire truck load of recyclables? This is why it is important to recycling right. To avoid contamination, follow the "What Goes Where" chart in this guide to ensure you do not contaminate your containers with unacceptable items.

### **Mattress Recycling Program**

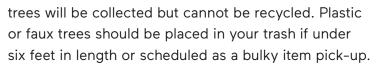
Orange County residents can now bring their mattresses to Prima Deshecha Landfill and Olinda Alpha Landfill to be recycled for free. Acceptable items include the following: most standard mattresses, box springs, and futon mattresses. Non-acceptable items: sleeping bags, pillows, waterbed mattresses, air mattresses, futon frames, bed frames, furniture, and any mattresses that are wet, twisted, contaminated, or soiled. Landfill fees will apply if mattresses are brought with other waste for disposal. Visit oclandfills.com or call (714) 834-4000 for more details.

**Prima Deshecha Landfill** 32250 Avenida La Pata, San Juan Capistrano Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Olinda Alpha Landfill** 1942 N. Valencia Avenue, Brea Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### **Holiday Tree Recycling Drop-Off**

Annually, WM will collect and recycle holiday trees for the first three weeks following December 25th. To participate, please place trees at the curb on your regular collection day. Trees taller than six feet must be cut in half. Remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments, and tree stands. Please note, flocked



### Free Paper Shredding Event

WM is proud to partner with the City of Irvine to sponsor 3 free shredding events for Irvine residents each year! For dates, locations, and information on what is acceptable, please refer to the Irvine Newsletter sent along with your bill or visit www. cityofirvine.org and home.wm.com/irvine.

# Orange County Waste & Recycling Household Hazardous Waste Collection Centers

Orange County residents can dispose of household hazardous waste safely, and for free, at any of these locations:

Anaheim 1071 N. Blue Gum Street • Anaheim

Irvine 6411 Oak Canyon • Irvine

**Huntington Beach** 17121 Nichols Street, Gate 6 Huntington Beach

San Juan Capistrano 32250 La Pata Ave.

San Juan Capistrano

Each location is open Tuesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., except during rainy weather or on major holidays.

### **WM Customer Service**

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# Important Service Information and Reminders



Common acceptable items include: paint, cleaning products, pool chemicals, batteries, compact fluorescent tubes and light bulbs, needles and sharps (must be inside a puncture proof container), helium and propane tanks (5-gallon or smaller), automotive batteries, cell phones, computers, printers, cameras, televisions, and tablets. For a full list of acceptable items and more information about safe hazardous waste disposal, visit oclandfills.com/hazardous or call (714) 834-4000.



### **Bulky Item Collection Services**

Residents are provided free bulky item collections four (4) times per calendar year. Bulky items include large, hard-to-handle household items such as furniture, appliances and electronic waste. Up to four (4) items may be collected per time at no charge. Residents may request additional collection for a charge. Bulky item collection is a special service and is collected separately from the automated cart program. Residents should call WM Customer Service at least 48 hours in advance of their collection day to schedule a pick-up.

### Irvine Senior & Low Volume Discount

Irvine senior residents are eligible to receive a lowered rate for any sized container. To qualify, residents must be 65 years of age or older and the head of the household. To obtain a copy of the Senior discount form, please visit home.wm.com/irvine or contact WM customer service.

All Irvine residents are also eligible to take advantage of the Low-Volume Generator rate. To enroll in this program, residents must be willing to downsize their trash container to the smallest available size. To enroll in Low-Volume Generator program please contact WM Customer Service. Please note you may only have one discount placed on your account, you may not have both the senior discount and the low volume discount.

# CURRENT BY 2036 Blue Lid | Green Body Black Lid | Gray Body CURRENT BY 2036 Gray Lid | Green Body Blue Lid | Gray Body Organic Waste (formerly green waste) CURRENT BY 2036 Green Lid | Green Body Green Lid | Gray Body

### **Automated Cart Service**

Separate wheeled carts are utilized for trash, recyclables, and organics. WM offers three different sizes of carts – 35 gallons, 65 gallons, or 95 gallons – providing you the option to select the size that best suits your needs.

### Need an Additional Cart? Have a Damaged Cart?

Call WM Customer Service if one of your carts is not fitting your needs, or is damaged or broken.

### Do More with My WM

Powerful My WM online capabilities are available to help you manage your services.

Visit **wm.com/mywm** or scan the QR code to sign up for an account and get started.

# Recycling

# What goes in the recycling container:





Sour Cream

Plastic Bottles & Containers



Food & Beverage Cans

### Do Not Include:

No Food or Liquids

No Foam Cups & Containers

No Loose Plastic Bags, Recyclables in Plastic Bags, or Film

**No Yard Waste** 

No Clothing, Furniture or Carpet

No Hazardous Waste or Batteries

No Electronics

Place recyclables directly into your recycling cart - Don't bag your recycling materials.



Glass Bottles & Containers



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



**Paper** 

# **Organics Recycling**

## What goes in the organics container:







**Food Waste** 

**Yard Waste** 





**Produce** 

Meat, Fish & Poultry

### Do Not Include:

No Loose Plastic Bags, or Film

**No Compostable Serveware**Plates, Forks, Knives,
Spoons, Etc.

No Recyclables

No Foam Cups & Containers

No Hazardous Waste or Batteries

No Fats, Oils, or Greases



**Dairy** 



Bread, Pasta, Rice, Grains, Coffee Grounds



Food Soiled Paper, Coffee Filters & Tea Bags Place organics material directly into your organics cart or place your organics material in a compostable bag and place your bagged organics into your cart.

To reduce odor, layer food waste with yard waste, or put food waste in a paper or a compostable bag.

### Kitchen Food Waste Pail for Organics Recycling

You may use the kitchen food waste pail provided by WM or any container or compostable bag to collect your food scraps.

### How to use:

- 1 Place food scraps, leftovers, and minimal amounts of food-soiled paper directly in the kitchen pail.
- 2 Take the kitchen pail to your green lid organics cart.
- 3 Empty your kitchen pail contents directly into your organics cart or If you are using a compostable bag, you may place your bagged food waste in the cart.



# **Trash**

# What goes in the trash container:





Do Not Include:

**No Organics** 

No Recyclables

No Hazardous Waste or Batteries

**No Electronics** 

No Tires or Paint

No Flammable Material



Foam Cups & Containers



Loose Plastic Bags and Film



**Garden Hose** 



Broken Ceramic Dishes & Pots



Clothing & Textiles



Candy, Snack & Food Wrappers



**Diapers** 



**Pet Waste** 





