

# Rolling Hills Estates

Residential Trash, Recycling, and Organics News

Winter 2025



## Be a Recycling Hero

Every resident and business in Rolling Hills Estates plays a vital role in protecting our environment. Your commitment to properly separating recycling and organics helps reduce landfill waste and keeps our community clean and healthy. Using your kitchen pail to collect food waste is a simple step that makes a big impact. To recognize your dedication to recycling, the City of Rolling Hills Estates and WM will award one outstanding residential or commercial customer each quarter with free services for a year—plus a signed certificate from the Mayor honoring your efforts.

## Holiday Tree Recycling Made Easy

WM will collect holiday trees at no extra charge during the first two weeks after Christmas Day—just place your tree out on your regular collection day. After the two-week period, cut your tree into smaller pieces and place them inside your green cart with the lid completely closed. If your tree is too large to fit, simply place it next to your carts on your scheduled service day.



## How to Prepare Your Holiday Tree for Collection

- Trees taller than six (6) feet must be cut in half
- Remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments and tree stands
- Flocked trees will be collected, but cannot be recycled

If your tree was missed during your normally scheduled collection day, please contact WM Customer Service.

## Recycle Right® This Holiday Season

You can make a big impact this holiday season by recycling smart and reducing waste.

### Here's how:

#### Recycle:

- Cardboard boxes (broken down)
- Gift boxes and bags
- Paper-based packaging
- Plain greeting cards
- Wrapping paper (no glitter)



#### Trash:

- Glittery wrapping paper
- Broken ornaments
- Bubble wrap
- Foam packing materials
- Foil/cellophane wrap
- Plastic gift cards

## Save the Date!

**Palos Verdes Peninsula Parade of Lights**  
Saturday, December 6

## Holidays

WM observes the following holidays. When your collection day falls on/or after one of these holidays, your collection will be delayed by one day that week only. If a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there will be no delay.

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| • New Year's Day   | • Labor Day        |
| • Memorial Day     | • Thanksgiving Day |
| • Independence Day | • Christmas Day    |



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# Organics | Recycling | Trash

## Right Materials - Right Container - Know Which Container to Use

### What Goes in the Organics Container:



Food Waste



Yard Waste



Produce



Food Soiled Paper,  
Coffee Filters & Tea Bags



Meat, Fish & Poultry



Dairy



Bread, Pasta, Rice,  
Grains, Coffee Grounds

Ensure food scraps are placed in a paper bag before placing in your organics cart.



#### Do Not Include:

Plastic Bags or Film  
Serveware/Utensils  
Plastic Containers,  
Foam Containers  
Hazardous Waste  
Fats, Oils, or Greases

### What Goes in the Recycling Container:



Plastic Bottles, Cups  
& Containers



Paper & Paper Cups



Glass Bottles or Containers



Flattened Cardboard  
& Paperboard



Food & Beverage Cans

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



#### Do Not Include:

Food or Liquids  
Plastic Bags or Film  
Foam Containers  
Clothing, Furniture or Carpet  
Batteries  
Electronics  
Hazardous Waste  
Yard Waste

### What Goes in the Trash Container:



Foam Cups,  
Containers or Straws



Garden Hose



Broken Ceramic  
Dishes & Pots



Candy, Snack &  
Food Wrappers



Plastic Bags & Film



Diapers



Pet Waste



Clothing & Textiles



#### Do Not Include:

Organics/Recyclables  
Electronics  
Batteries, Tires or Paint  
Flammable Material