# **Proper Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste**



State law requires that products containing mercury and lead be safely recycled to remove hazardous waste prior to disposal.

### Hazardous Waste That Requires Proper Disposal:

- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Leftover paints and solvents
- Oven and household cleaners
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Automotive fluids and batteries
- "Sharps" (e.g., hypodermic needles) in approved Sharps Containers



Residents may dispose of household hazardous waste at no additional charge at the Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste facility located in Hayward.

For operating hours and dates or other related information visit www.StopWaste.org or call 1-800-606-6606.

### **ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

#### **EXTRA DISPOSAL OPTION FOR RESIDENTS**

Waste Management provides coupons that waive the fee for disposal of up to two cubic yards of household refuse self-hauled to the Davis Street Transfer Station. Coupons are limited to 100 per month and only one coupon per eligible household per calendar year. To request a coupon, call Waste Management at (510) 537-5500.

# **CURBSIDE CLEAN-UP DAY APPOINTMENTS**



Waste Management will remove up to two cubic yards of garbage and other bulky items from eligible households once per calendar year with an appointment. E-WASTE ITEMS

TWO TVs and/or computer monitors can be recycled curbside once a year. This pick up may be scheduled separately from bulky item pick up **appointments.** To reduce vandalism or damage, please set these items out no earlier than the night before scheduled pick up.

For more information or to make your appointments, call Waste Management at 510-537-5500.

### RECYCLING INFORMATION

STOPWASTEORG For information about where to recycle many household items,

building sustainable homes, and buying non-toxic household cleaners, call 1-877-STOPWASTE (1-877-786-7927) or visit www.StopWaste.org.

# PROTECT OUR CREEKS AND BAY



# **SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS**

As of January 1, 2013, plastic carry-out bags are no longer provided at checkout by grocers, pharmacies and convenience stores, among others, that sell milk, bread, soda and snack foods. Recycled content paper bags and reusable bags may be provided, but the stores must charge a minimum of ten cents (\$0.10) per bag. Consumers are encouraged to bring any type of bag to a store in which to place their purchased items.

Shopping with reusable bags helps reduce plastic bag litter, and protects creeks and the bay.

These regulations will apply throughout Alameda County. Similar regulations are in effect in San Jose, San Francisco, and Los Angeles County, among other communities.

If you have questions about these regulations, please call (510) 891-6576 or visit this website: http://reusablebagsac.org/

### **REFERENCES**



**Refuse, Organics Collection** and Curbside Clean-up Day **Appointments** 

Call Waste Management at (510) 537-5500



**Recycling Collection** Call Tri-CED Community Recycling at (510) 537-9963



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# Residential **Guide to** Recycling

**FALL 2014** 



# ORGANICS RECYCLING = FOOD SCRAPS + FOOD-SOILED PAPER + YARD TRIMMINGS

Acceptable organic materials include: ✓ Flowers, weeds, leaves,

twigs and grasses

✓ Unpainted, untreated wood

✓ Meat and dairy products

☑ Fruits and vegetables

✓ Pizza boxes

✓ Wax paper containers

☑ Paper cups, plates, napkins, towels

✓ Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags



Food scraps are the largest single item in the waste stream going to the landfill. The collected food scraps and food-soiled paper will be used to make compost, a valuable soil amendment for gardens, landscaping and farming. Recycling food scraps reduces green house gas emissions and results in a healthier environment.

# **Helpful Tips**

- Line your food scraps collection pail with newspaper or a paper bag to make cleaning easier.
- Empty pail regularly; pail is dishwasher safe.
- To keep pail fresh, rinse and sprinkle with baking soda.
- Collect food scraps in a paper take out container, ice cream or milk cartons. Place the entire paper container in your green cart.
- To minimize odors, freeze or refrigerate fish, meat, or other strong smelling food scraps until the night before scheduled collection.
- Line the bottom of your green cart with dry yard trimmings, newspaper, or cardboard, so that the food scraps are easily removed.



foam

Glass

Metals

Diapers, Pet waste

Liquids

Your GREEN cart is for yard trimmings, food scraps, and food-soiled paper only.

### **GREEN RECYCLABLES CART**

You can upgrade your 64-gallon green cart to a 96 gallon cart at no additional cost. To request the larger cart and to order your kitchen food-pail, contact Waste Management at (510) 537-5500

### **GREY RECYCLABLES CART**

## Recyclables that can be placed in the grey mixed recyclables cart include:

- Newspaper, cardboard, magazines, catalogs, junk mail & hard/soft cover books
- Glass bottles and jars of any color
- Plastic containers marked (1) (2)
- Aluminum and tin cans, empty aerosol cans
- Metal or Teflon<sup>™</sup>-coated pots and pans

For guestions about what materials are acceptable for collection, please call Tri-CED Community Recycling at (510) 537-9963.

### **COMMON HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES**

Common household batteries can be recycled curbside in a clear, sealable plastic bag. Place the sealed bag next to (not inside) your recycling cart for collection. Please completely tape both sides of your lithium coin-type batteries to prevent fires as fires may occur when lithium batteries contact other types of batteries. To request a bag contact Tri-CED at (510) 537-9963. The bag will be delivered attached to the lid of your grey cart.

### **USED MOTOR OIL AND FILTERS**

Used motor oil and filters can be recycled curbside. To order two free jugs and a bag to recycle these items call Tri-CED at (510) 537-9963.



On your regular collection day, all carts, oil jugs, bagged oil filters, bagged batteries, and flattened cardboard should be placed on the curb, not in the street, to allow street sweeping services to continue with minimal interruptions.