



WASTE
ZERO
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RANDOM AUDITS OF CURBSIDE BINS COMING TO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

You may notice a Recology worker stopping to look in your bins. Don't worry, we're not spying for the paparazzi.

We are doing random checks of blue, green, and gray bins as required by state law SB 1383. This information will help us learn more about common recycling and composting mistakes, such as when plastic bags end up in blue or green bins.



In turn, we can target our outreach to help customers improve their sorting habits, which can help reduce garbage costs.

Vallejo residents can also request a free kitchen pail to collect their food scraps for easy transport to their curbside green bin!

BOOK A BULKY ITEM COLLECTION

City of Vallejo residential customers get four curbside Bulky Item Collections (BIC) each year at no additional charge.

BIC service, done on your regular service day, must be scheduled in advance. Email CustomerService007@Recology.com or call **707.552.3110** to request a pickup and give us your itemized BIC list.

Each collection is limited to:

- 2 cubic yards (3' x 3' x 6') of discards **or** 12 32-gallon bags
- and**
- 3 individual large items, such as appliances, furniture, or electronic waste

Yard waste, construction and demolition debris, dirt, concrete, tires, and hazardous materials such as paint, chemicals, and oil are not accepted curbside.



There are a limited number of appointments each day, so be sure to book ahead.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Vallejo residents can pick up two free bags of compost at our BOPA facility, 2021 Broadway, 8 AM – 3:30 PM, Thursday – Saturday. Proof of residency is required.
- A dump coupon was mailed to residents for loads up to and not exceeding 1,000 pounds for drop off at Devlin Road Transfer Station. No appliances, e-waste, hazardous waste, or tires.

RULES OF THUMB

FOR RECYCLING RIGHT

- Check the number inside those chasing arrows stamped on plastics. Just because it has the symbol doesn't mean the item is recyclable. Recology Vallejo accepts #1, #2, and #5 plastics. Those are rigid plastics, such as water bottles, jugs, or sour cream tubs.
- Practice "loose load" recycling. No plastic bags in the blue (or green) bin please. Plastic bags and other flimsy plastics are not recyclable and get tangled in sorting machines.
- Rinse glass, metal, and rigid plastic food and beverage containers before recycling. And please be sure they are dry before recycling them. Liquids and food residue can contaminate the paper and cardboard in the blue bin.
- Compostable plastics are not accepted in your organics bin. They need an industrial composting facility that subjects them to very high temperatures so they break down. Unfortunately, due to their material they can't be recycled either. These go in the trash bin.
- Watch out for plastic-lined cups, like the ones from most coffee shops, and waxed cardboard/ cartons. Because they are made from mixed materials, they are very difficult to recycle and must go to landfill.
- Still unsure what goes where? Go to WhatBin.com



20% of California's methane emissions are produced by food rotting in landfills. Composting reduces emissions.

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