



ORGANIC COLLECTION SERVICE TIPS

Senate Bill 1383 Requirements for Businesses

As of January 1, 2024, all residents and businesses in Lomita are required to recycle their organic waste, in order to comply with California Senate Bill 1383. SB 1383 is designed to reduce methane emissions by reducing the amount of organic waste (including food scraps, food-soiled paper, and green waste) that ends up in landfills.

To comply, businesses must provide clearly labeled containers for all waste types, and train employees, contractors, customers, and tenants annually on proper waste sorting. New tenants must be informed about these requirements within 14 days of move-in.

Additionally, businesses must place containers for organics and recyclables in all customer-accessible areas (excluding restrooms), ensure that employees do not mix organic waste with recyclables or landfill waste, and regularly inspect containers for contamination, providing staff education as needed.

WHAT QUALIFIES AS ORGANIC WASTE?

Organic waste consists of food scraps, yard trimmings, and paper products that are both food-soiled and made entirely of fiber.

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Since January 1, 2022, all California residents and businesses must place organic waste into a designated green organics container.

HOW TO COMPLY?

SB 1383 mandates that residents and businesses set up organic waste recycling services.

Learn more by visiting AthensServices.com/SB-1383 or calling 888-336-6100.



Acceptable Organics Waste

Food Scraps	Green Waste	Food Soiled Paper*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bread, Rice & Pasta • Cheese & Dairy • Coffee Grounds & Filters • Fruits & Vegetables • Flowers & Herbs • Meats, Bones & Poultry • Seafood & Soft Shells • Pet Food (non-medicated) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flowers & Hedge Trimmings • Grass Clippings • Leaves & branches • Untreated Lumber, Scrap Wood, & Plywood • Weeds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Stained Paper • Paper Egg Cartons • Paper Napkins & Kitchen Towels • Pizza Boxes • Plates • To-go boxes (uncoated) • Wooden & Fiber Base Utensils 

Do Not Include

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Plastics • Cacti, Succulents & Yucca • Compostable Plastics (bioplastics)** • Coffee Cups & Pods • Fats, Oils, & Grease • Food Stickers (please remove) • Gloves • Hard Shells (clams, mussels, oysters) • Palm Fronds | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper Napkins & Towels with Cleaning Chemicals • Parchment & Wax Paper • Pet Waste • Rocks & Soil • Rubber Bands & Twist Ties • Tea Bags • Textiles • Tissues & Wet Wipes • Medication |
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*Only 100% fiber-based materials are allowed. Avoid items with bio-plastic, wax, or petroleum-based coatings.

**Plastic and bioplastic "compostable" bags are permitted if they are clear or translucent green, and the contents are visible. The contents will be processed, but the bags will not be recycled or composted.



Tier 1 and Tier 2 Edible Food Generators must maximize food recovery, arrange food donations and collection via contracts with recovery organizations, and keep donation records.

TIER 1 BUSINESSES

Required as of January 1, 2022

- Food distributors
- Wholesale food vendors
- Food service providers
- Grocery stores and supermarkets (10,000+ square feet)

TIER 2 BUSINESSES

Required as of January 1, 2024

- Hotels with 200+ rooms and an on-site food facility
- Restaurants (5,000+ square feet or seating more than 250)
- Local education agencies with an on-site food facility
- Healthcare facilities with 100+ beds and an on-site food facility
- Large venues (shopping centers, malls) and events with 2,000+ daily visitors

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