



California SB 1383 & AB 827

Use this handout as a reference for training your employees and students on how to have a successful organics recycling program! As a business owner, manager, or school administrator of a business or school in California, you are required to comply with state laws Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) and Assembly Bill 827 (AB 827). SB 1383 becomes effective January 1, 2022, while AB 827 was effective July 1, 2020.

What is AB 827? A Bill requiring businesses, restaurants, and schools to provide adequately sized recycling carts in adequate locations, for all available streams (for example, organics and/or traditional recyclables) for employees, tenants, contractors, customers and students. Recycling carts must be color coded (as detailed below) and labeled with the accepted materials to be deposited in that cart.

How often do employees need to be trained? Within 14 days of being on the premises and at least once a year, employees must be trained on recycling and sorting.


















What material goes in each cart? The organic cart will house organic and yard waste, the recycling cart will house traditional recyclables, and the trash cart will house the trash (see graphic below for more details).

What is contamination? Material being placed in the wrong cart (see graphic below for more details).

How will we know if we're contaminating? Managers must inspect collection carts. If contamination is found, managers must educate employees on the information in the graphic below.

How will the City know our business or school is compliant? City staff, CalRecycle, or a designee will come to inspect. Employees are required to allow inspectors on site to examine relevant locations and records.

What Goes Where?

What Goes in the Organics Cart:	What Goes in the Recycling Cart:	What Goes in the Trash Cart:
 FOOD WASTE & FOOD SOILED PAPER	 PLASTIC BOTTLES & CONTAINERS	 GARDEN HOSE
 YARD WASTE	 FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS	 BROKEN CERAMIC DISHES & POTS
	 GLASS BOTTLES & CONTAINERS	 CANDY, SNACK & FOOD WRAPPERS
	 FOOD & BEVERAGE CARTONS	 CHIP BAGS
	 PAPER	 DIAPERS
	 FLATTENED CARDBOARD & PAPERBOARD	 FOAM CONTAINERS
 <p>DO NOT INCLUDE: NO LOOSE PLASTIC BAGS NO SERVEWARE NO PLASTIC CONTAINERS NO FOAM CONTAINERS NO HAZARDOUS WASTE</p>	 <p>DO NOT INCLUDE: NO LOOSE PLASTIC BAGS NO FOAM CONTAINERS NO CLOTHING, FURNITURE, CARPET NO HAZARDOUS WASTE</p>	 <p>DO NOT INCLUDE: NO HAZARDOUS WASTE NO ELECTRONICS NO BATTERIES, TIRES OR PAINT NO FLAMMABLE MATERIAL</p>
<p>Place organics materials directly into your organics cart - don't bag your organics materials.</p>	<p>Place recyclables directly into your recycling cart - don't bag your recyclables.</p>	

