

MANDATORY ORGANICS RECYCLING FOR APARTMENTS



- SB 1383 CALIFORNIA LAW REQUIRES ALL APARTMENTS TO COMPOST

Beginning Jan. 2022, SB 1383 requires that every home, apartment complex and commercial business in California separate their **food waste**, **yard waste** and **food soiled paper** and be collected separately from all other waste.

The law aims to reduce methane emissions from landfills that contribute to **climate change** & **global warming**.

MSS CAN HELP!

Contact a Recycling Coordinator



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HOW YOU CAN COMPLY:

1. COMPOST WITH MSS.

MSS offers several service options to fit your apartment's composting needs. Our recycling coordinators are available to conduct on-site waste assesments to determine the best service option for you.

2. SCHEDULE A TRAINING FOR TENANTS.

SB 1383 requires apartment owners and managers to train their tenants on how to properly sort their waste and send less materials to landfill. MSS offers both on-site and virtual trainings for apartment complexes. Tenants that attend a training are eligible to receive a free kitchen compost pail.

3. ALL TENANTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPOST.

Tenants must compost all yard waste and food scraps - including meat, bones, fruit, vegetables, cheese and egg shells. Napkins, coffee filters, pizza boxes, paper plates and unlined, paper takeout containers are also accepted.*

4. MAKE GREEN CARTS ACCESSIBLE TO TENANTS.

Place your green carts in a central location, next to your trash and recycling containers, along with easy-to-understand signage. Placing bins together with the appropriate signage is essential to ensure tenants properly recycle and compost their waste.

5. AVOID COMPOSTABLE PLASTIC & CONTAMINATION.

The compost we help create is required to be certified organic for farms and vineyards. Contaminants like plastic bags, green BioBags, cups, takeout containers and utensils - even those made with compostable plastic - will not break down as needed and will pollute the nutrient rich soil.

*If tenants wish to start a backyard compost, Zero Waste Marin provides free composting courses to Marin County residents. For more info visit: zerowastemarin.org/residents/composting-info-courses/home-composting-courses

40% OF ALL LANDFILLED WASTE COULD HAVE BEEN COMPOSTED.





FOOD SCRAPS

DESECHOS DE COMIDA





NO PLASTIC BAGS NO BOLSAS PLÁSTICAS NO COFFEE CUPS NO TAZAS DE CAFÉ NO CARTONS NO CARTONES



COMPOSTING AT HOME CAN HELP CURB CLIMATE CHANGE.



LANDFILLS EMIT GREENHOUSE GASES

When organic materials like **food scraps** & **yard waste** are landfilled, they create **methane** - a greenhouse gas 84x more potent than carbon dioxide (CO²). A study conducted by CalRecycle found that landfills are the 3rd largest source of methane emissions in California.



RECYCLING COORDINATORS CAN HELP:

- ✓ CONDUCT WASTE ASSESMENTS.
- **✓** TRAIN RESIDENTS.
- ✓ PROVIDE FLYERS & POSTERS.

