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RECYCLING SAVES RESOURCES BUT ONLY WHEN YOU DO IT RIGHT



OUR TRUCK UNLOADS

After collecting residential container recycling, our truck dumps the load at our facility for sorting. Unfortunately, because much of what you see here is not recyclable, this load is considered contaminated.

UNACCEPTED ITEMS

Bagged recyclables, clamshells, plastic bags, dirty containers, cartons and paper cups are not recoverable and go to the landfill.

ALL GO TO LANDFILL

Unacceptable items often make up a large portion of the material collected curbside. These are sorted out from the recyclables and go to the landfill.



ACCEPTED ITEMS

Accepted items in the container side of your cart include plastic bottles, milk jugs, clean glass jars and bottles and metal cans.



TURN INTO FINISHED BALES

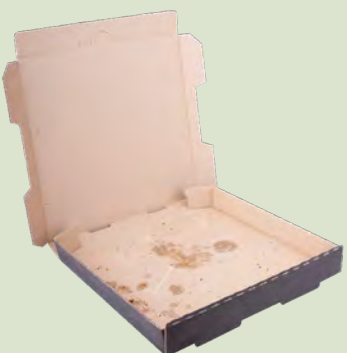
Clean recyclables such as these (left to right) colored HDPE detergent bottles, aluminum cans, and clear HDPE milk bottles are baled and ready for recycling.

HELP KEEP YOUR RECYCLABLES CART CLEAN AND ONLY INCLUDE THESE ITEMS!

PLEASE KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING CARTS

PIZZA BOXES

BELONG IN YOUR GREEN COMPOSTABLES CART



TANGLERS

BELONG IN YOUR GARBAGE CART



CLOTHES

REPAIR, REUSE, DONATE, THEN IN YOUR GARBAGE



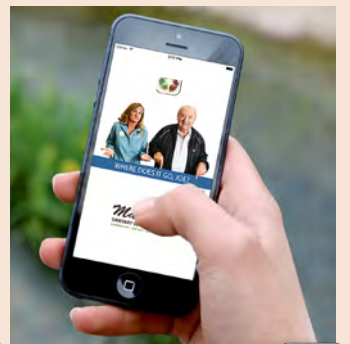
WHERE DOES IT GO, JOE?

TAKE THE GUESSWORK OUT OF SORTING We know that it is difficult to decide which cart to put material in for proper disposal. That's why we have our "Where Does It Go, Joe?" online tool. Just enter the material into the search field and it provides instructions on how to properly prepare or clean the item as well as what "stream" the material should go into: recycling, compostables or garbage. Find it on our website www.marinsanitaryservice.com.

GET THE MOBILE APP



Download our free Marin Sanitary app and get all the features of the tool from our website, in the convenience of a mobile app.



APPLE



ANDROID



CUSTOMER APPRECIATION EVENT FALL 2021

Our annual customer appreciation event and compost giveaway has been moved to the fall, look for more information on our website!

www.marinsanitaryservice.com



CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH US VIRTUALLY ON APRIL 22, 2021!

Head on over to our website www.marinsanitaryservice.com to:



WATCH VIDEOS ABOUT:

- The Importance of Compost & Recycling
- Dual Stream Service Trucks
- The MSS Sorting Line
- Recycling Contamination
- Plastic Recycling
- Composting in Marin
- & More!

<https://marinsanitaryservice.com/resources/videos>



TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF OUR FACILITY

<https://marinsanitaryservice.com/educational-programs/tours>



PRINT COMPOST & RECYCLING SIGNAGE

<https://marinsanitaryservice.com/resources/flyers-and-posters>

DOCUMENT SHREDDING

MARIN RECYCLING CENTER

ADDRESS: 535 Jacoby St., San Rafael CA 94901

SERVICES: Buyback Center - Currently Closed

Confidential Document Shredding -

(415) 456-2601 Drop-off anytime,
Monday -Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Saturday, Sunday

Auto Dismantling - (415) 453-1404

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Call to schedule an appointment

www.MarinRecycling.com

INDOOR PUBLIC DUMP

MARIN RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER

ADDRESS: 565 Jacoby St., San Rafael CA 94901

PHONE: (415) 485-5646

HOURS: Open 7 days a week. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SERVICES: Indoor disposal area for residents and businesses of Marin County. Materials accepted are non-hazardous commercial and residential solid waste.

www.MarinResourceRecoveryCenter.com

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

MARIN HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

ADDRESS: 565 Jacoby St., San Rafael, CA 94901

PHONE: (415) 485-6806

HOURS: For Residential Drop-off Tuesday - Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

See website for commercial hours.

SERVICES: Residential Drop-off of HHW, E-waste, and sharps in designated containers. Residential Drop-off is for ALL Marin County households except Novato.

www.MarinHHW.com

MANAGING TREATED WOOD



During the pandemic, many of our customers found time to do projects around their home or back yard, leaving them on with a small or large pile of treated wood waste (TWW).

Until December 31 of 2020, through the alternative management standards (AMS), California hazardous waste laws granted exceptions to TWW generators, handlers, transporters, and landfills to dispose of the wood conveniently and affordably.

Since State regulators did not extend the AMS into 2021, starting January 1 of 2021, California requires TWW to be fully regulated as hazardous waste. Due to the regulatory changes, the Marin Resource Recovery Center (MRRC), also known as the indoor dump, can not accept TWW.



The good news is that the Department of Toxic Substances Control initiated a variances program as a temporary solution until new statutes are finalized. MRRC applied for a variance on February 19, 2021, and hopes to receive a permit to accept TWW at its facility in the following months.

We recommend you hold on removing any treated wood at your home or construction site if possible until April or May of 2021. If you don't know how to identify treated lumber, you can use some of the following tips:

- Hem and Douglas-Fir, Pines, and Spruce are some of the commonly treated woods
- Treated wood has an end tag that has information on the preservative applied to the wood and preferable sites to use the lumber (e.g., inside, outside, wet zones)
- Some of the chemicals applied to treated wood are arsenic, chromium, copper, creosote, and pentachlorophenol
- Look for different grades of green or brown staining on the wood
- Look for dents that look like staple prints throughout the wood

If you can not postpone the removal of any TWW, visit the DTSC website www.dtsc.ca.gov (or use the QR code to the left) and read the "Requirements for Generators of Treated Wood Waste Update-Fact Sheet (December 2020). The fact sheet offers all the steps to manage and dispose of TWW, including the disposal of the material at local household hazardous waste facilities. However, neither of the hazardous waste facilities in Marin County are accepting treated wood waste.



www.dtsc.ca.gov

FOR INQUIRIES ABOUT HOW TO DISPOSE OF TREATED WOOD WASTE OR TWW VARIANCES, CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL DIRECTLY AT: tww_help@dtsc.gov

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