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# MANDATORY COMMERCIAL RECYCLING

## Why recycle?

State law "AB 341" now mandates all businesses with 4 or more cubic yards per week of service and multi-family complexes of five or more units have a recycling program in place effective July 1, 2012.

- Recycling may provide opportunities for your business to save money.
- Recycling helps conserve resources and extends the life of California's landfills. It also helps create a healthy environment for our community and future generations.

## Let's Get Started!

It's easy to recycle at your business. Make sure your business has arranged for recycling services. Use the list on the side to educate employees on what items can be recycled.

**Option 1:** Businesses may donate, sell and/or make other arrangements for pick up and recycling of the materials. This includes self-hauling materials to recycling facilities.

- *Separate Recyclables by commodity and placed in containers.*
- *Visit LA County's Smart Business Recycling website at [dpw.lacounty.gov/epd/brtap/recyclingsite/](http://dpw.lacounty.gov/epd/brtap/recyclingsite/) to search for more than 350 recycling facilities available to your business. Please contact the recycler first to verify pertinent information and to arrange for delivery.*

**Option 2:** Contact the franchised hauler. Athens Services offers mixed waste collection services where waste and recyclable materials are mixed together and then separated and processed at the Athens Services materials recovery facility. For more information, visit [www.AthensServices.com](http://www.AthensServices.com).

For a **FREE WASTE STREAM ANALYSIS** or to obtain more information on source separating recycling, please call (888) 336 – 6100 or visit [www.AthensServices.com](http://www.AthensServices.com).

## RECYCLABLE MATERIAL

- Clean, dry paper
- Cardboard and chipboard
- Plastic and glass bottles & jars
- Metal and aluminum cans
- Metal containers and empty aerosol cans
- Plastic bags and dry cleaners bags, bundled

## NON-RECYCLABLE MATERIAL

- Broken glass
- Contaminated or wet paper
- Plastic hangers
- Rubber tires
- Hazardous waste — paint, batteries, antifreeze, pesticides, cleaning products, appliances, cell phones, TVs, computer monitors, laptops.
- Do not place rubber tires or hazardous waste in recycling bins.

For information on proper disposal or recycling of these materials, call 1-800-98-TOXIC (800-988-6942) or visit [www.businessrecycling.com](http://www.businessrecycling.com).

## WHERE TO GO FOR INFORMATION

To learn more, visit [www.ci.irwindale.ca.us](http://www.ci.irwindale.ca.us) or contact Elizabeth Rodriguez in the Irwindale Public Works Department at 626-430-2211.

Visit [www.businessrecycling.com](http://www.businessrecycling.com) for more information from LA County Smart Business Recycling or call 1-888-CLEANLA.

For additional general information about recycling and waste reduction, visit the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov).

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