

AVI COMMERCIAL NEWSLETTER

Amador Valley Industries

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Multi-lingual Training Available!

Are you a business owner/manager?

Your staff is required to separate food waste and recyclables from the garbage. AVI offers free waste sorting trainings to help business and restaurants comply. These trainings are available in Spanish and Mandarin Chinese.

Contact us today to schedule your training. Send an email to info@amadorvalleyindustries.com or call 925-479-9545.



Labeling Containers Properly

Are your dumpsters or carts properly labeled?

In California, all collection containers must be properly labeled with information about materials that are accepted in them. Contact AVI today if any of your dumpsters or carts are missing labels.



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Annual Audits & Route Reviews



Notice someone in a neon safety vest rummaging through your waste bins? It could be AVI staff or consultants conducting a required annual inspection of trash, recycling, and organics.

SB 1383 requires that the City of Dublin annually inspect and audit commercial carts and bins to ensure that each location is separating garbage, recycling, and organics correctly as well as providing the required on-site training and signage.

During our inspections, we will evaluate containers for misplaced items and talk to a representative on site and/or leave a "Service" tag with information about what went wrong and needs corrective action.

For more information please contact AVI at info@amadorvalleyindustries.com or call 925-479-9545.

Soft & Stretchy Plastics = Garbage

Soft and stretchy plastic items are **NOT** accepted in AVI's recycling program. Common soft and stretchy items that belong in the garbage container include:

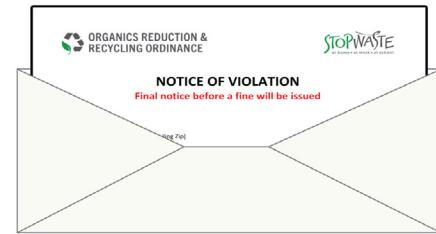
- Cleaning wipes
- Face masks
- Plastic gloves
- Plastic storage bags
- Plastic packaging
- Plastic shopping bags
- Film or stretch wrap
- Bubble wrap/mailers
- Condiment packets
- Plastic food wrappers
 - such as foil bags, cereal/cracker box liners, chips/candy wrappers.

Remember that the  symbol does **NOT** always indicate that an item is recyclable. Follow AVI's How-to-Guides at AmadorValleyIndustries.com.

For easy options to reuse, repair, recycle, or safely dispose of just about anything, search StopWaste's RE:Source guide at: Resource.Stopwaste.org.

Notice of Violation/ Citations

SB 1383 went into effect on January 1st, 2022. Accounts that do not have recycling and organics collection service and do not have an approved waiver or Certification of Recycling Service on file, are subject to enforcement action and fines.



If you receive a Citation Letter, a fine is being assessed for not subscribing to the required organics and recycling collection services after a warning (Notice of Violation) letter was sent. You must complete 3-steps by the due date listed in your citation letter to avoid future fines. Go to StopWaste.org/rules-citations to complete the 3-step process.

Service Adjustments / Waivers

If your business does not have recycling and/or organics service, you are required to set up service (exceptions are very limited). Call AVI to start service. If you feel that your business is applicable for a waiver, you can fill out a waiver application at StopWaste.org/rules-waivers. There are 2 types of waivers offered for commercial business generators in Alameda County:

1. **Minimal generation waivers (De minimis)**- for businesses that generate a minimal amount of organic waste or recyclables.
2. **Physical space waivers** - when there are physical space constraints that prohibit the addition of recycling or compost containers.

All waiver applications may be verified by an on-site visit or investigation. Approved waivers are valid for a five year period.

Certification of Recycling Service

If you have an alternative arrangement for recycling and/or compost collection service by performing self-haul, back-haul, share service with a neighboring business, or use a third-party recycler, you can request a Certification of Recycling Service (CRS) instead of subscribing to AVI recycling and compost service. To access the form, visit StopWaste.org/rules-crs.

Interested in Learning More?



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