



NEW SHARPS DISPOSAL LAW

On September 1st 2008: the "Household Bleach Bottle" method of disposal of healthcare related "sharps" will no longer be acceptable in your trash cart.



Every year more than 2 billion needles and syringes are used nationwide outside of healthcare settings and most end up in the trash or recycling containers or flushed down toilets, posing serious health risks to children, workers, and the general public.

This SB 1305 bill revises a section of the state's Medical Waste Management Act to make it a violation of state law home-generated sharps to be placed in solid waste collection containers, including recycling and greenwaste containers. SB 1305 would also require sharps to be transported in an approved sharps

container and managed by a specified facility (i.e., hazardous waste, medical waste generator facility, or a facility managed as part of a mail back program).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF SHARPS, GO TO WWW.STOPWASTE.ORG OR CALL 1-877-STOPWASTE (786-7927)

DISPOSE OF SHARPS FREE

The Alameda County Department of Environmental Health now provides a better, safe and practical solution for residents that generate "sharps" waste. As of July 1st, 2005 the HHW program is accepting home generated "sharps" waste from Alameda County residents. Alameda County residents can now dispose of their own home generated "sharps" waste safely and conveniently at any of Alameda County's Household Hazardous Waste facilities, FREE!

This program is applicable to home generated "sharps" waste only. All businesses that generate sharps are required by the Medical Waste Management Act to have their biohazardous waste picked up by a registered biohazardous waste hauler.

**FOR MORE DETAILS
CALL 510-670-6460 OR TOLL-FREE 1-800-606-6606
OR EMAIL HHWSHARPS@ACGOV.ORG**

WE WANT OUR SERVICE TO BE THE BEST, AND YOU CAN HELP!

Please place your cart at the curb edge with **at least 3 feet of clearance** from other objects, including other carts, basketball hoops and motor vehicles. Make sure your cart lid is down completely. Thank you for helping us provide you with the best possible service. Together we can keep our neighborhoods safe and clean.



WHAT DO I PUT INTO THE GREENWASTE CART?

The reason Greenwaste carts are so important is that they help divert tons of materials away from our landfills which saves costs and is better for the environment. Here is a list to help you utilize your cart efficiently.

GREENWASTE ACCEPTABLE LIST

- Grass and weed clippings
- Shrubs and tree prunings (less than 4" in diameter)
- Leaves, plants and flowers
- Food scraps and food soiled paper products

NON-ACCEPTABLE GREENWASTE LIST

- No household garbage
- No plastic bags
- No dirt or rocks
- No overloading - lid must be closed to prevent spills

BATTERIES AND BULBS



Batteries, household electronic equipment, and fluorescent bulbs can no longer be disposed of in the trash. These materials contain hazardous substances including corrosive chemicals and toxic metals, such as mercury and lead that cause harm to people and the environment. You have a number of options to recycle or properly dispose of these materials. Please contact:



www.household-hazwaste.org
or 1-800-606-6606

For the most up-to-date listings of drop-off locations for Household Hazardous Waste, visit the Recycling Wizard at www.StopWaste.Org/recycle or call the Alameda County Recycling Hotline toll-free at 1-877-STOPWASTE (786-7927).



FOOD SCRAP RECYCLING. MAKE IT SECOND NATURE. WWW.STOPWASTE.ORG

It's easy to collect food scraps and food-soiled paper in your kitchen pail or another container, such as a milk carton, ice cream carton or paper bag. Empty your food scraps into your green waste cart and set it by the curb for the weekly pick-up. For more information please see www.StopWaste.Org



WHAT ARE
FOOD SCRAPS?

ALL FOOD PRODUCTS, including fruit, vegetables, breads, cereal, dairy, meat (including bones), coffee grounds, filters, tea bags, and food-soiled paper such as paper towels, plates, napkins, pizza boxes and lunch sacks.

NO PLASTIC, GLASS, METAL OR LIQUIDS.

OTHER
CONTAINERS
TO COLLECT
FOOD IN

TAKE ME TO
YOUR LEFTOVERS

- Ice Cream Cartons
- Milk Cartons
- Newspaper
- Paper Bags



PLEASE DETACH HERE AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.



One stamp will be given for each 25 lbs. of recyclable material presented at the Buy Back Center. A total of 75 lbs. (3 stamps) of recyclable material must be presented during any given quarter to receive a credit. If you have an automated 90 gallon service, your quarterly credit will be \$3.51. If you have an automated 35 gallon service, your quarterly credit will be \$2.22.

To ensure proper credit, please fill out the information below:

Account Number: _____

Your Name: _____

Service Address: _____

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