



Kensington Recycling/Green Waste News

By Bay View Refuse & Recycling Service, Inc.

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Plastic Recycling Facts

For each ton of plastic recycled we save the equivalent of:

- The energy used by 2 people in 1 year.
- The amount of water used by 1 person over two months.
- 2,000 pounds of oil.

Enough plastic is produced in the United States each year to shrink wrap Texas.

Enough plastic bottles are thrown away in the United States each year to circle the Earth four times.

Metal Recycling Facts

Every pound of steel recycled saves 5,450 BTU's of energy...

- Enough to light a 60-watt bulb for over 26 hours.
- Recycling just one can saves enough electricity to light a 100-watt bulb for 20 hours, a computer for 3 hours, and a TV for 2 hours.

Americans throw away enough aluminum every month to rebuild our entire commercial air fleet.

Americans throw out enough iron and steel to continuously supply all the auto makers in the entire nation.

Paper Recycling Facts

Recycling one ton of paper would:

- Save enough energy to power the average American home for 6 months.
- Save 7,000 gallons of water.
- Save 3.3 cubic yards of landfill space.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by one metric ton of carbon equivalent (MTCE).
- Save 17 mature trees.
- Save 2 barrels of oil.
- Save 4,000 kilowatt hours of electricity.
- Produce enough energy to power the average American home for 5 months

Did You Know ...

- The process of recycling paper instead of making it from new materials generates 74% less air pollution and uses 50% less water?
- Over 73% of all newspapers are recovered for recycling?
- The United States makes up only 4% of the world's population, yet it is the #1 producer of garbage?
- It takes a glass bottle approximately 1,000,000 YEARS to break down in a landfill?

Tips to Reduce Waste

Do your part by following these simple steps:

- Use products made with recycled materials.
- Use energy-efficient light bulbs and rechargeable batteries.
- Shop with cloth bags.
- Reuse plastic bags, cups, containers, etc.

For further tips or information go to EPA.gov

Cardboard Recycling

Break down and tie or tape together in manageable bundles and place at the curb next to recycling can.



TWICE MONTHLY YARD WASTE (GREEN WASTE) PICKUP DATES 2021

Sept 13 — Sept 17
Sept 27 — Oct 1
Oct 11 — Oct 15
Oct 25 — Oct 29
Nov 8 — Nov 12
Nov 22 — Nov 26
Dec 13 — Dec 17
Dec 27 — Dec 31

Place green waste in cans up to 32 gallons, paper lawn bags or small tarp that one man can lift.
NO Plastic Bags
NO Food Waste

Thank You for Recycling Your Garden Waste!

Acceptable Material
Grass, lawn clippings, shrubs, plants, weeds, small branches and other forms or organic materials generated from your landscape or garden.

NO Palm Fronds
NO Bamboo

KENSINGTON'S YEARLY GENERAL CLEANUP

The week of September 20-24th on your regular day.

- Material must be in front of your home by 6:00am (Place curbside nearest to the center of your property).
- **WAIT THERE IS A LIMIT:** 1-1/2 Cubic Yard per Household (equal to eleven 32-gal plastic bags) Place all general waste in plastic bags or boxes or cans. **NO LOOSE ITEMS!**
- **Any larger items SUCH AS** furniture, mattress' etc. **CAN** be collected for an additional fee. **YOU MUST CALL OUR OFFICE** ahead of time to schedule this 510-237-4614.
- **NO** Hazardous waste, rocks, dirt, cement, wood, ashes, heavy metal, paint, green-waste or similar material will be collected.
- Any items that may damage the packing mechanism of the trucks will not be collected.

Kensington Curbside Recycling Guidelines

Please place residue free commingled recycled material in cans with lids up to 40 gallons

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Paper



- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Paperback books
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Magazines
- ✓ Copy/printer paper

Cardboard



- ✓ Cardboard boxes tied or taped in bundles
- ✓ Egg cartons
- ✓ File folders
- ✓ Poster board
- ✓ Cereal type boxes
- ✓ Milk cartons
- ✓ Tubes from toilet paper and paper towels

Aluminum/Metal



- ✓ Aluminum beverage cans
- ✓ Steel/tin food cans
- ✓ Empty aerosol cans
- ✓ Aluminum foil, roasting pans

Glass



- ✓ Glass bottles
- ✓ Glass jars, all colors

Plastic



- ✓ Water bottles
- ✓ Mixed rigid plastic packaging/food containers

Non-Recyclable Items

- ✗ Aseptic carton, (i.e. soy/soup)
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Clothing
- ✗ Food Waste
- ✗ Mirror/window/ drinking glasses
- ✗ Ceramics, plates/mugs
- ✗ Ashes of any kind
- ✗ Styrofoam
- ✗ Tissue, paper towels/plates
- ✗ Food contaminated paper products.
- ✗ Plastic bags/utensils

KNOW THE FACTS!

PPE Disposal:

Your used masks, gloves and other personal protective equipment should be placed in the garbage. They are NOT recyclable.



Don't bag your recyclables:

Make sure your recyclables are loose so that we can sort them properly.