



Waste and Recycling Regulations and Resources for Businesses

Carryout Bag Requirement

Businesses in Alameda County are prohibited from distributing single-use plastic bags. Businesses may distribute reusable bags for a charge of at least ten cents (itemized on the receipt). [Alameda County Waste Management Authority Reusable Bag Ordinance](#)

Food Donations

[State law SB1383](#) states food generating businesses must donate surplus edible food. [Food recovery organizations](#) help local businesses donate edible food to the local community.

[State law](#) protects food generating businesses from civil and criminal liability when donating in good faith.

Waste Disposal and Diversion

SB 1383 and [local ordinance](#) states businesses are required to both compost and recycle.

Accepted recyclables in Pleasanton include cardboard, paper, glass bottles, plastics #1-7, and cans. For a full list visit [Commerical Recycling with Pleasanton Garbage Service](#). For additional clarity on specific items visit [Guide for Reuse, Repair, Recycling, and Safe Disposal](#).

Compostable items in Pleasanton include food scraps/waste, plant debris, food soiled unlined paper products, and paper towels/napkins. For additional information visit [Commercial Food/Green Waste with Pleasanton Garbage Service](#).

Hazardous and universal waste is required to be disposed of through a licensed facility. For more information and location details visit the [CalRecycle](#) website or the [StopWaste](#) website.

Signage

Pleasanton Garbage Service has free recycle, compost, and garbage posters. Please contact PGS at (925) 846-2042.

StopWaste offers customizable create-your-own [signage](#).