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Dear Customer/Business Owner,

STATE RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESSES

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works is conducting free on-site visits to help businesses and food service establishments located within the County unincorporated areas comply with the State's mandatory recycling requirements. We are conducting a survey to evaluate your current recycling activities and your recycling needs. Please complete the attached questionnaire. Below is some useful information about the State's business recycling mandates and how you can arrange for recycling services.

Who Must Recycle

Effective July 1, 2012, the State's **Mandatory Commercial Recycling law (AB 341)** requires all businesses that generate 4 cubic yards or more of solid waste per week and multi-family properties with 5 units or more to arrange for recycling services.

Beginning April 1, 2016, the State's Mandatory Organic Waste Recycling law (Assembly Bill 1826) phases in requirements for businesses that generate specified amounts of organic waste (i.e. food and green waste) to arrange for recycling services for that material, in accordance with the following schedule:

Year	Cubic Yards Generated Weekly
2016	8 (organic waste)
2017	4 (organic waste)
2019	4 (commercial solid waste, regardless of amount of organic waste)
2020	2 (commercial solid waste, regardless of amount of organic waste) conditional on 50% statewide reduction in organics disposal compared to disposal in 2014

Gardening or landscaping service offered to those businesses exceeding above limits would be subject to this law and the green waste would have to be recycled.

How to Arrange for Recycling Services

To assist businesses in recycling and complying with State laws, the County has established a commercial waste collection franchise system. Businesses in the County unincorporated areas may contact their authorized commercial waste hauler to receive the following FREE recycling service options:

- One cubic yard recycling bin/capacity; or
- Two 96 gallon recycling carts, if storage space is limited

You may obtain additional recycling services at no more than half the cost of solid waste collection service for the same size container. For a list of authorized waste haulers, please visit www.lacounty-swims.org/haulerlist. Also, you may find additional information about what services you are entitled to in the Customer Bill of Rights, which may be obtained from www.lacounty-swims.org/bor.

Thank you for participating in this survey. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. David Perez at (626) 458-3554, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. or via email at dperez@dpw.lacounty.gov.



MANDATORY BUSINESS RECYCLING



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STATE RECYCLING LAWS

AB 341: Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law

AB 341 requires all businesses that generate **4** cubic yards or more of trash per week to arrange for recycling services.

AB 1826: Mandatory Organics Recycling Law

Starting April 2016, AB 1826 requires businesses that generate **8** cubic yards of organic waste (food, green, landscaping, and pruning, nonhazardous wood, and food soiled paper) to arrange for organic waste recycling services. Effective January 2017, this requirement extends to businesses that generate **4** cubic yards of organic waste.



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For a general copy of your Customer Bill of Rights, please visit www.LACountySWIMS.org/BOR

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