



Battery Fires

Fire hazards are becoming increasingly prevalent in our facilities and trucks, with batteries being the primary culprit. As California moves towards electrification in all areas, including lawn care tools, the waste and recycling streams will be impacted by the proliferation of large, rechargeable batteries. Lithium batteries are somewhat fragile, so compression can cause a short that ignites the reactive lithium inside. They can also overheat, causing fires. It is crucial to properly dispose of these items.

What can you do? Remember to never throw any electronic items or flammable materials into your trash or recycling carts (this includes all batteries, electronic parts, hot barbecue coals, flammable liquids, old cell phones, wires, cables, fireworks, etc.) and arrange for electronic waste (e-waste) pickups or take your e-waste to a designated drop-off facility or event in your area.

Household Hazardous Waste It's as easy as 1-2-3!

For legal, safe disposal of Residential Hazardous Waste, bring it to one of the permanent Kern County Special Waste Facilities in Bakersfield, Mojave, or Ridgecrest, or find out about one-day Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events in your community.

Acceptable items include: automotive fluids, batteries, cooking oil, and e-waste.

Below are some more helpful tips for Household Hazardous Waste:

- Only buy what you can use. Share leftovers with friends, neighbors, etc.
- Buy safer alternatives to hazardous household products.
- Store unused products in a safe, dry, cool place.
- Follow label directions.

DO NOT PLACE ANY AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS, PAINT PRODUCTS, BATTERIES, NEEDLES, ELECTRONICS, HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, LIGHT BULBS, DEODORIZERS, PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES, INSECTICIDES, PET CARE PRODUCTS, PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS OR SWIMMING POOL CHEMICALS IN ANY OF YOUR RESIDENTIAL CARTS.

1. KEEP products in original containers or properly labeled with a sealed lid.
2. SECURE products so they won't spill or leak during transport.
3. TAKE them to your nearest collection center.

Please NEVER place any needles or sharps in ANY of your refuse or recycling containers. Free Biohazard Sharps containers are available at the Kern County Special Waste Facilities.

Residents can safely dispose of unused household cleaners, paint products, batteries, used motor oil, and electronics for free at the County's Special Waste Facility. For more information, please visit: KernPublicWorks.com/Hazardous-Waste.

The Bakersfield Special Waste Facility is located at:

4951 Standard St., Bakersfield, CA 93308

Tuesday- Saturday 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

For Business Hazardous Waste information, please visit: KernPublicWorks.com/services/solid-waste/hazardous-waste/business-hazardous-waste.



Holiday Schedule

We observe the following holidays: Christmas Day, Independence Day, New Year's Day, and Thanksgiving Day. When a holiday falls on a weekday, service will be delayed by one day. There is no service interruption or delay when the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday.

Temporary Bins

We have temporary (or "temp") bins available for small to medium household clean-ups. We can also provide large 25-yd or 40-yd roll-off bins for large clean-ups and remodels. Please fill out applications for these services or contact us for further information.

Facility Information:

Landfills:

Bena Landfill
2951 Neumarkel Rd.
Bakersfield, CA 93307

Shafter-Wasco
Landfill
17621 Scofield Ave.
Shafter, CA 93263

Organics/Greenwaste Facility:

City of Bakersfield
2601 S. Mt. Vernon Ave.
Bakersfield, CA 93307

Construction & Demolition Facility:

Metropolitan Recycling
2601 S. Mt. Vernon Ave.
Bakersfield, CA 93307

Special Waste/Hazardous Waste:

Kern County Special Waste
4951 Standard St.
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Transfer Station:

(Residential material only)
Roberts Lane Transfer Station
1900 Roberts Ln.
Bakersfield, CA 93308

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