

FOOD WASTE RECYCLING

SENATE BILL 1383 AND YOUR COMMERCIAL BUSINESS

WHY IS ORGANIC WASTE A PROBLEM?

Organic waste in landfills accounts for 20 percent of the methane gas generated in California. The state agency CalRecycle reports that the super-pollutant methane has a short life span, but a long-term impact on the climate. Targeting methane reductions in emissions is an effective mechanism for combating climate change and moving toward a more sustainable future.

The implementation of the state's organic waste reduction regulations adopted under Senate Bill 1383 (Short Lived Climate Pollutants) is the next critical step to protect our communities and our environment from the impacts of climate change.



HOW ARE BUSINESSES AFFECTED?

Under SB 1383, businesses are required to:

- Subscribe to organic waste collection service provided by Varner and Son, Inc.
- Ensure employees, contractors, tenants, and customers have access to an adequate number, size, and location of containers with appropriate labels and container color.



- Provide containers for the collection of all waste streams including trash, food waste and recyclables in all areas where disposal containers are provided for customers, except for restrooms.
- Provide information to new tenants before or within 14 days of occupation of the premises.
- Prohibit employees from placing organic waste in a container not designated to receive organic waste.

WHAT ARE THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS?

If your business is a supermarket, grocery store, food service provider, distributor, or wholesale food vendor, you may be classified as an edible food generator and have additional requirements such as:

- Not intentionally spoil edible food that is capable of being recovered by a food recovery organization or service.
- Arranging via contract with a food recovery organization or service to recover the maximum amount of edible food that would be redistributed for human consumption.



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WE CAN HELP!

We are proud to offer site visits for customers to assess their service level needs. Please contact us for more information.

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