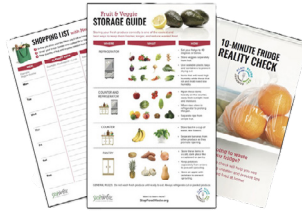


Tips to Prevent Food Waste

When we waste food, we waste all the energy, water, and resources that went into producing that food and getting it to our kitchens. Taking the time to plan meals a little better, store food properly, and eat what we have can save food and money.



Download more tools and discover other food saving tips, recipes, and resources at StopFoodWaste.org.

- ✓ **Plan:** Use a shopping list to help plan meals and save money.
- ✓ **Store:** Keep fruits and vegetables fresher with proper storage.
- ✓ **Eat:** Consume perishable food first and use your leftovers.

Proper Sorting Makes a Difference

Put inedible food into your organics cart as your last resort, and follow these tips to avoid contamination and service delays.



Keep it tidy!

Collect food scraps in a small tub, kitchen pail, or paper bag for easy transport to the green compost cart.



Keep it clean!

Remove stickers from produce. No bags, plastic, glass, or metal in the green compost cart.

What to Put in Your Green Cart



All food scraps including bones, meat scraps, cheese, rinds, peels, and coffee grounds.



Food-soiled paper like paper towels, napkins, pizza boxes, and paper plates (uncoated/not shiny).



Plant trimmings like leaves, grass clippings, branches, and weeds.

Reducing Holiday Waste



A lot of wrapping paper is recyclable but much of it is made from virgin materials.

Consider using reusable material like newspaper, scarves or other fabric, reusable bags, etc. And if you buy wrapping paper keep an eye out for those that are recyclable and/or consist of post-consumer recycled content.



Tips to Reduce Waste

- When shopping for gifts, bring your own bag.
- Reuse baskets, tins or boxes when wrapping gifts.
- Try to find tags and cards that are printed on recycled paper or make your own.



- Encourage waste reduction by giving reusable totes, food containers, water bottles and travel mugs as gifts.





Holiday Service Schedule

Thanksgiving week:

Our office is closed Nov. 23rd. If your regular collection day is Thursday or Friday, service will be delayed by one day.

Christmas & New Years weeks:

Our office is closed Dec. 25th and Jan. 1st. Christmas and New Years falls on Monday this year, thus all service will be delayed by one day. Friday service will occur on Saturday.

Extra Waste?:

Remember not to overload your carts. If you have extra garbage or compost, call AVI to arrange an extra pickup or large item pickup. Extra cardboard may be placed next to your empty recycling cart for collection at no additional cost.



Holiday Tree Disposal Options

Boy Scouts of America - Tree Fundraiser

For a minimum \$10.00 donation per tree, local Boy Scouts Troop 905 will pick up holiday trees from Dublin residents on Saturday, January 6, 2024. Reservations are required.

To make a reservation, please visit Troop905.org after December 1, 2023.

Reservations will be taken through 3 p.m. on January 5, 2023. Only clean trees will be accepted. No flocking or tinsel allowed. Please remove the tree base or stand.



AVI Special Holiday Tree Pickup

You may place your holiday tree at the curb by 5:30 A.M. on your regular service day beginning January 8, 2024, through January 19, 2024. A truck exclusively for recycling holiday trees will collect the trees. Only clean trees will be taken (no flocking or tinsel). Please cut trees down to 4-feet or less in height. Please remove bases or stand.

Recycle Holiday Trees in the Compost/Organics Cart

You may place your holiday tree into your compost cart along with other acceptable yard trimmings and food scraps anytime after the holiday. Your cart will be emptied on your regular service day. Only clean trees are accepted (no flocking or tinsel). Tree branches and stumps must be cut up in lengths that will allow the lid to securely close.



Non-Recyclable Flocked Trees or Trees with Tinsel

AVI can pick up your non-recyclable holiday tree. Please call (925) 479-9545 to arrange for the disposal of your flocked or tinsel tree. An additional fee may apply unless you use one of the three (3) Large Item Collections available to you per year at no cost.

Interested in Learning More?



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