



Amador Valley Industries

# MULTI-FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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## Senate Bill 1383 Requirements

All multi-family properties in Dublin are required to comply with Senate Bill 1383 requirements.

### How to Comply

#### 1. Sign up for compost (organics) and recycling service.

Ensure all tenants have access to the service.

#### 2. Set Up Bins

In common areas, place color-coded and labeled recycling and compost bins next to all garbage bins. Compost and recycling must be equally accessible as garbage collection.

#### 3. Sort Correctly

Materials must be properly sorted into the compost, recycling, and garbage bins.

#### 4. Educate Tenants

Tenants must be educated on composting and recycling requirements at least annually and within two weeks of move in.

One of the most effective ways to boost tenant participation in your property's compost program is to ensure that every tenant receives a kitchen counter-top pail for compost collection and educational resources at move-in. Amador Valley Industries (AVI) can provide free resources such as kitchen pails, educational materials, signage, and decals; provide tenant education; and help your property to establish and/or improve your compost collection program. Contact AVI at **925-479-9545** or [info@amadorvalleyindustries.com](mailto:info@amadorvalleyindustries.com) to request assistance.



## Items that Do NOT Belong in the Recycling Bin

The following items are often mistakenly put into the recycling bin. These items belong in the garbage. Placing them in the recycling contaminates other recyclable materials. This increases processing costs and leads to more material being landfilled.

#### 1. Chip Bags & Candy Wrappers

All plastic bags and flimsy plastic food packaging go into the garbage.



#### 2. Bagged Recyclables

Recyclables must be placed loose in your collection container. Do not use plastic bags. Property managers can contact AVI to request free reusable recycling bags for tenants.



#### 3. Diapers and Pet Waste

Diapers and pet waste are not recyclable. Place these items in the garbage container.



#### 4. Cartons/ Aseptic Packs

Milk cartons, juice cartons, juice boxes, and soup cartons go in the garbage. These items are made of multiple layers of different materials, making them difficult to recycle.



## AVI Assistance and Resources

AVI offers the following assistance and resources:

- **Free Waste Assessments** to help you determine your organization's garbage, recycling, and compost (organics) service needs.
- **Free Set-up & Ongoing Support** to help keep your compost and recycling programs running smoothly.
- **Free Resources**
  - Indoor food scraps/organics kitchen pails (supplies limited).
  - Multifamily recycling tote bags.
  - Signage for waste enclosure areas and garbage chute rooms.
  - Brochures, fliers, and door hangers.



## Proper Battery Disposal

It is dangerous and illegal to dispose of any type of battery in your garbage, recycling, or compost container. Dry cell batteries, including alkaline and lithium-ion batteries, are considered hazardous waste and can start fires when crushed and contribute to water and air pollution.

Rechargeable lithium-ion batteries are of particular concern because they are fire hazards when disposed of improperly. If placed in the garbage, compost, or recycling, they can cause the material in the collection truck to ignite, putting the safety of the driver and environment at risk. Proper battery disposal is critical for ensuring public safety and environmental protection, preventing damage to trucks and equipment, and ensuring collection operations are not delayed.

## AVI Battery Buckets

Property Managers can contact AVI to receive a free battery collection container and service for tenants. Please look out for communication from AVI on setting up this program in your building.

## Residential Landlord Hazardous Waste Service

Alameda County offers a free service for residential landlords to drop off their tenant's hazardous waste. Residential landlords are considered businesses under Federal and State hazardous waste laws, which means they cannot participate in the Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Residential Drop-off Service.



Property managers and owners can learn more about how to dispose of HHW generated at their site at, [StopWaste.org/at-home/household-hazardous-waste/residential-landlord-hazardous-waste-service](https://www.stopwaste.org/at-home/household-hazardous-waste/residential-landlord-hazardous-waste-service) or scan the QR code on the right.



## Interested in Learning More?



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