

# RECYCLING TODAY

## *Recycling information for the Central Valley*

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### What is AB 341? California's Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law

AB 341 is a state law that requires all businesses that generate four or more cubic yards of waste weekly to recycle. To comply with AB 341, make sure your business has arranged for recycling services.

The governor and the state legislature have made it a priority to increase recycling, thereby reducing the number of landfills. By doing so, they hope to reduce the toxic greenhouse gases that are a natural byproduct of the normal process of waste decomposition over time. You can help by recycling. Separate recyclable items from trash at the source, inside your business facility, and place them in external recycling containers for collection. Here is a short list:

- ◆ All plastics, including jugs and storage bins.
- ◆ Beverage containers
- ◆ Cardboard and Chipboard
- ◆ Empty aerosol cans
- ◆ Metal and aluminum
- ◆ Metal hand tools, including hammers, jigsaws, screwdrivers, staplers and wrenches.
- ◆ Microwave and toaster ovens
- ◆ Paper: junk mail, catalogs, magazines, newspaper, manila folders, phone books and used office paper.
- ◆ Plastics: bubble wrap, etc.
- ◆ Shredded paper in clear plastic bags
- ◆ Small appliances with a cord, like toasters and coffee makers.
- ◆ Unpainted and untreated wood like block shelves and wood pallets.



If you have any questions about whether items are recyclable or not, contact IWS for guidance. Thank you for your business!

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