



City of Morgan Hill  
 Environmental Services Division  
 776-7333

# What Can I Recycle?

The City of Morgan Hill uses single-stream recycling. This means that all of your recyclables go into the same brown recycling cart. Studies have shown that the convenience of single-stream recycling leads to greater participation and increased recycling volumes, which helps reduce the amount of materials going to our landfills.

## 1. All of your recyclables go together in your brown, wheeled cart.



Collected  
 Every Other  
 Week

**Corrugated Cardboard** should be cut down and flattened before placing in the recycling cart to maximize space. Larger pieces will get stuck in the cart and prevent it from emptying completely. Extra cardboard can be flattened and placed next to your cart. Dimensions of flattened cardboard must be smaller than 3' x 3'.

**Mixed paper** such as white paper, colored paper, computer paper, newspaper, shredded paper, envelopes, cereal boxes, cracker boxes, gift boxes, glossy paper, magazines, catalogs, phone books, unsolicited mail, Post-It™ notes, paper egg cartons, brown paper grocery bags and wrapping paper. Box liners from cereal type products need to be removed.

**Do not put food contaminated paper into this container.**

**Plastics** coded 1 through 7 which include clear, opaque & solid colored bottles & jugs including milk jugs, water bottles, shampoo bottles, yogurt cups, margarine tubs and plastic bags such as grocery, produce, dry cleaning and newspaper bags. Be sure to “bag your bags”. **Styrofoam™ and aseptic containers are not accepted in our program. These items, other plastics, and caps with no code go in the garbage.**



Only plastic containers that are marked with the numbers 1 through 7 can be recycled.

**Glass** which includes any kind of glass bottle or jar such as wine, mayonnaise, juice, and spaghetti sauce jars. Rinse the jars and remove lids. Lids may go in the same container.

**Metals** include all metal food and beverage containers including those made of aluminum, tin, steel and bi-metal such as tuna, soda, pet food, soup cans and aluminum foil. Lids are ok. Pots, pans, toasters and metal items that will fit in the cart are also accepted.

**No microwaves, car parts or small metal pieces such as nuts, bolts, and hangers.**

FREE DESKSIDE PAPER  
 COLLECTION Boxes for inside  
 the home are also available.  
 Call 776-7333 for more  
 information.

Please call Recology South  
 Valley at 842-3358 if you  
 have any recycling questions.

More information on the other side of this page.



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## 2. Put the following in your green organics cart.

Collected  
Weekly

**Yard Waste** which includes grass clippings, leaves and small branches (less than 3' long and 6" in diameter).

**Food Waste** like fruits, vegetables, meats, cheeses, breads, bones, eggshells, coffee grounds and plate scrapings.

**Food Soiled Paper** such as pizza boxes, paper napkins, paper towels and paper plates

**DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS TO COLLECT YARD WASTE OR FOOD SCRAPS. PLASTIC BAGS CAN'T BE COMPOSTED!**

Excess yard waste can be placed in regular 32 gallon garbage cans or tied in bundles no larger than 3' x 3'. Do not put more than 150 pounds in your yard waste cart or more than 50 pounds in any extra collection container. Do not put plastic bags, rocks, dirt, concrete, building materials, ashes, ice plants, palm fronds, cactus, poison oak or ivy, insect infested plants, animal waste, tree stumps or trunks, or any other garbage in your organics cart.

Free under-the sink food waste storage containers are available. Call Recology South Valley at 842-3358 to have them delivered.

## 3. Special Container Materials

Collected  
Every Other  
Week

Used Motor Oil and Oil Filters that are placed in provided containers will be collected at the curb. Call 842-3358 to request oil collection containers and sealable oil filter bags. They will be delivered on your next recycling day.

Household Batteries should be placed in a zippered plastic bag and placed on or next to your recycling container, not inside. No automotive batteries accepted.

Used Motor Oil  
Oil Filters  
Household Batteries

## 4. Everything Else

Garbage  
Collected  
Weekly

What's left is actual garbage. This includes things such as plastics not marked with #1 through #7, Styrofoam™, aseptic containers and juice boxes, diapers, pet waste, rags & sponges and toothpaste tubes. No hazardous waste (paint, fluorescent tubes, batteries, household chemicals, etc.) or recyclables should go into your gray, 48-gallon garbage cart.

**Yard waste and cardboard will not be collected as garbage.**

## 5. Questions?

*We have the answers!*

Call Recology South Valley at 842-3358



If you need additional recycling containers or would like to change the ones that you have, please call Recology South Valley at 842-3358 to have them delivered.

Si le gustaria tener una copia de esta informacion en espanol por favor llame al para 842-3358.