



Organic Waste Self-Hauler Requirements

Senate Bill 1383, a new State law, requires commercial and residential generators of organic waste to separate organic waste from garbage and recyclable materials and recycle it. Generators may choose to subscribe to collection service (if available), compost onsite, or self-haul to a facility authorized to accept organic waste. Recycling organic waste helps decrease polluting greenhouse gases and slow climate crisis.

Organic waste includes, but is not limited to, food scraps, yard trimmings, wood, and food-soiled cardboard and paper products generated by a home or business. This includes leaves, grass, trimmings, wood, and other plant debris generated by a landscaper performing work at a home or business.

For more information on the new requirements, contact Mendocino County Solid Waste Division at (707) 463-4363



Self-hauling means transporting your organic waste or recyclable materials instead of subscribing to collection services. Self-hauling also includes business back-hauling, when a business transports organic waste or recyclable materials to a destination owned and operated by the business using the business's own employees and equipment. Commercial and residential generators that wish to self-haul must ensure that recyclables and organic wastes are kept out of the landfill. Generators must sort the materials onsite and bring them to a recycling center or composting facility.

Commercial generators that wish to self-haul organic waste must first submit a SB 1383 Alternative Compliance Form to the County Solid Waste Division and then must keep a record of their self-hauling. Under State law and County Code, this record is subject to inspection by the County upon request. Record-keeping requirements do not apply to residential self-haulers. Records shall be kept for five (5) years and contain the following:

1. Delivery receipts and weight tickets from the facility accepting the waste.
2. The amount of material in cubic yards or tons transported by the generator to each facility.
3. If the material is transported to a facility that is incapable of determining the weight of materials received, the Self-Hauler is not required to record the weight of material but shall keep a record of the facilities that received the organic waste.

Self-Haul Transfer Station Locations

Ukiah

Ukiah Transfer Station & Recycling Center—3151 Taylor Drive, Ukiah

For information on hours and materials accepted at the Ukiah Transfer Station & Recycling Center, contact C&S Waste Solutions at (707) 234-6400 or visit:

<https://candswaste.com/locations/california/mendocino-county/ukiah-transfer-station-recycling-center>.

All Other Areas

Albion Transfer Station—30180 Albion Ridge Road, Albion

Boonville Transfer Station—18851 Mountain View Road, Boonville

Caspar Transfer Station—15000 Prairie Way, Mendocino

Covelo Transfer Station—90500 Refuse Road, Covelo

Laytonville Transfer Station & Recycling Center—1825 Branscomb Road, Laytonville

Potter Valley Transfer Station—8923 Main Street, Potter Valley

South Coast Transfer Station—40855 Fish Rock Road, Gualala

Westport Transfer Station—37551 Highway 1, Westport

Willits Transfer Station & Recycling Center—350 Franklin Avenue, Willits

For information on hours and materials accepted at all transfer stations except Ukiah, contact Solid Wastes of Willits at (707) 459-4845 or visit:

<https://swowservices.com/locations>.