

Automated Curbside Recycling & Green Waste

RECYCLABLES

Please **remove any lids, caps, can ends, and contents** from your recyclable items. All **paper and cardboard products**

must be clean and dry. Materials that can be recycled in San Luis County's recycling programs include:

- ♻️ Aluminum: Includes empty cans, bread tins, pie tins, and clean foil.
- ♻️ Cans: Includes aluminum, tin, and steel cans
- ♻️ Cardboard: **Please break down the boxes and bundle them**
- ♻️ Chipboard: Includes items such as cereal boxes, cracker boxes, and pasta boxes.
 - ♻️ Glass Bottles & Jars: Includes food and drink containers such as catsup bottles, jelly jars, and wine bottles.
- ♻️ Junk Mail: **Please remove any products coated with metal, plastic, or vinyl.**
- ♻️ Magazines: Non-coated or glossy-covered magazines are recyclable.
- ♻️ Mixed Office Paper: Mixed paper is recyclable.
- ♻️ Newspaper: Dry newspaper is recyclable.
- ♻️ Plastic Containers: Plastics classified with the **numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7** (not 6) are recyclable.
- ♻️ Shredded Paper: Shredded paper is acceptable **when placed in a clear bag.**
- ♻️ Telephone Books: Telephone books are recyclable
- ♻️ Rigid Plastic: All 1 & 5 gallon buckets with metal handles attached, plastic drums, totes, empty garbage cans (any size; with or without metal), Milk/Soda crates, laundry baskets, lawn furniture, Plastic Toys & Playhouses, Children's Electronics, pet carriers, plastic pallets, shelving, coolers, closet organizers, microwave trays, landscape flower pots (no soil), 5gallon water bottles, plastic coat hangers.

NON-RECYCLABLES

The **following products are not recyclable**, and unless otherwise noted should be placed in the refuse container. Materials that are commonly mistaken as recyclable include:

- ⊗ Aerosol Cans - ⊗ Batteries - ⊗ Ceramics - ⊗ Coat Hangers - ⊗ Florescent Tubes - ⊗ Greeting Cards - ⊗ Juice, Milk Boxes
- ⊗ Liquids, Chemicals - ⊗ Mirrors - ⊗ Paint Containers - ⊗ Paper Plates - ⊗ Paper Towels - ⊗ Plastic Bags - ⊗ Plastic-coated Items:
- ⊗ Polystyrene - ⊗ PVC Piping - ⊗ Rubber Bands - ⊗ Scrap, Sheet Metal - ⊗ Styrofoam - ⊗ Tissues - ⊗ Wet Newspaper - ⊗ Window Glass:
- ⊗ Wrapping Paper: ⊗ Insulation

ACCEPTABLE GREEN WASTE MATERIALS

- Yard trimmings & clippings
- Christmas trees (Un-flocked, no plastic trees , stands or tinsel)
- Construction wood (nails OK)

NON-ACCEPTABLE GREEN WASTE MATERIALS

- ⊗ **NO** animal manure (horse, cow, dog, cat, etc.)
- ⊗ **NO** kitchen waste
- ⊗ **NO** metals or concrete
- ⊗ **NO** paint, oil, liquid waste, or hazardous waste
- ⊗ **NO** sod
- ⊗ **NO** food waste of any kind & no kitchen waste

- ⊗ **NO** baby or adult diaper
- ⊗ **NO** Fallen fruit from trees
- ⊗ **NO** rocks, gravel, or dirt
- ⊗ **NO** plastic, paper, trash, or general refuse
- ⊗ **NO** plastic bags of any kind
 - ⊗ **NO** painted, stained, or preserved wood

Green Waste Collection:

A special green waste truck will pick up your green waste on your regular garbage collection day.

Green Waste Limitations:

Your green waste wheeler must not weigh more than 100lbs. when taken to the curb. Tree trimmings, construction wood, and lumber must be less than six inches in diameter and be less than 3 feet long.

Contaminated Green Waste Materials:

If your green waste recycling truck crew discovers non-acceptable materials in your green waste wheeler before it is emptied, the container will be left on the curb – unemptied and tagged. If you are tagged three times, your container will be removed. There is a nonrefundable administration fee of \$25.00 to return another green waste container.

Cost:

1-96gallon green waste wheeler comes with your service. Additional waste wheelers may be requested for a minimal fee. All extra green waste outside of your green waste wheeler in cans or bundles will be picked up and **CHARGED** to your account for a minimal fee. Please leave a 2 foot distance between extra greenwaste and the waste wheeler.

SOUTH COUNTY SANITARY SERVICE EXTRA RECYCLING



1. Extra recycling pickups have changed. In the past, anything picked up that was not in your blue can resulted in an extra charge. **Once a month, we will re-load your blue container one time for free.** So when you make that Costco run or have a big party, just leave the extras beside the blue can and we will re-load it. You will have to break down the boxes so they will fit in the can. Because all of the recycling trucks are automated, the driver has no way of safely getting large bulky items into the hopper. If it can't fit in the can with the lid closed, we won't pick it up. The lid has to close because as the arm tilts the can to empty it, items will fall out and make a mess on the ground.
2. You will see the charge on your bill and you should also see a credit for the same amount. You're limited to **one** credit a month. You can't go 6 months without any extra, then suddenly put out extras 6 times in a row and expect them all to be free. **The recycling credit is a monthly use it or lose it proposition.**
3. If needed, you may have a second recycle container for a minimal rental fee.

A REMINDER:

We do not recycle Styrofoam peanuts, plates, cups, and take out trays.

You can recycle rigid plastic toys (Play Skool, Fisher Price, etc), just make sure it fits in the can with the lid closed.