# **Proudly Serving the Alameda Community and Aiming for Zero Waste** September 2023

# Environmentally Responsible Packaging

Commit to sustainable business practices by taking a responsible approach to the recyclability of your packaging.

By doing so, you can:

- prevent confusion for your customers regarding the reusability and compostability of materials.
- promote proper sorting of recyclables, organics, and garbage.
- lower costs for processing of recycled materials.
- avoid legal liability for businesses and damage to your brand's reputation.

For guidelines to help ensure accurate language, effective design, and legal compliance, visit StopWaste's Guide to Environmental Claims on Packaging at http://guides.stopwaste. org/packaging

#### Help Close the Loop with Environmentally Preferable Purchasing



Implementing a green purchasing policy is good business practice.

Buying "green" products and services can increase efficiency, enhance a company's public image, and reduce the impact on our environment.

Green purchasing practices can also help alleviate climate change by reducing solid waste, conserving water, and protecting natural resources.

Visit **www.stopwaste.org/at-work/green-purchasing t**o find resources to help your company make more sustainable purchasing decisions.

#### ZERO WASTE IDEAS



#### Are Reusables Right for Your Business?

Reusable transport packaging replaces single-use transport packaging, saving money and resources.

#### ADVANTAGES OF REUSABLES

- Lower shipping costs.
- More efficient product storage, handling, and distribution.
- Improved product protection, worker safety, and storage efficiency.

Find out if reusables are right for you! Visit www.usereusables.org

## Recycling & Composting is Required. We Can Help.

Commercial businesses **MUST KEEP RECYCLABLES** and **ORGANIC** materials out of the **GARBAGE**. Failure to comply, could result in non-collection and contamination fees. Visit **www.stopwaste.org/rules** for information about mandatory commercial recycling and composting.

Español, 中文, 한국인, & Tiếng Việt www.StopWaste.org/rules-languages

ACI Sustainability Specialists can offer:

- waste assessments
- service suggestions
- employee training
- posters and more

For more information, contact us by email at info@alamedacountyindustries.com or phone 510-483-1400.

## Holiday Service Reminder

NOVEMBER 19 - 25, 2023					
If your collection day is:	<sup>Mon.</sup> 20	<sup>Tue.</sup>	Wed.	Thu. 23	Fri. <b>24</b>
Your holiday collection day will be:	<sup>Mon.</sup>	<sup>тие.</sup> 21	Wed.	Fri. 24	Sat. 25

There will be <u>no change</u> to the collection schedule during the weeks of Columbus Day and Veterans Day.

During Thanksgiving week, service normally provided on Thursday and Friday will be one day late.



Items going in the blue **RECYCLABLES** cart or bin should be empty and clean. **Keep it Loose for Blue Use** (don't bag your recyclables).



Plastic, glass, or metal **do not** belong in the green **ORGANICS** carts or bins. **If it Rots, Green is the Spot** 



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Aim for Zero Waste! Sign up	Alameda County Industries We are proud to be your service provider for Recyclables, Organics, & Garbage.
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