

City of Los Altos

Garbage and Recycling Services Fact Sheet

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GARBAGE HAULER

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(408) 588-1102 FAX
Contract end date: 2012

RECYCLING HAULER

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YARD TRIMMINGS HAULER

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SINGLE FAMILY GARBAGE RATE INFORMATION

TYPE	FEE	SERVICE		COMMENTS
		Front	Backyard	
Refuse, 1-can	\$ 28.11	X	X	Containers are to be set curbside or side yard.
Refuse, 2-can	\$ 56.23	X	X	Containers are to be set curbside or side yard.
Refuse, 3-can	\$ 84.34	X	X	Containers are to be set curbside or side yard.
Refuse, Extra Can	\$ 13.94	X	X	Containers are to be set curbside or side yard.
Refuse Oversized Can	\$ 13.54	X	X	Containers are to be set curbside
Recycling		X		Included in refuse rate, needs to be curbside
Yard Trimmings		X		Included in refuse rate, needs to be in a 96 gallon toters curbside

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RECYCLING PROGRAM INFORMATION

PROGRAM ESTABLISHED	October 1982
COLLECTION SCHEDULE	Every other week service on garbage day
CONTAINER ISSUED	Single Family Dwelling: One commingle container, one mixed paper container, and one yard trimmings toter Multi-Family Dwelling: Containers issued varies ¹

SINGLE FAMILY RECYCLING PROGRAM

MATERIALS	COLLECTION		PREPARATION AND SORTING REQUIREMENTS
	Yes	No	
Aseptic Containers	X		Milk cartons and juice boxes accepted; rinse and place in commingle bin.
Bulk Item Pick-Up	X		\$35.00 for first item and \$30.00 for each additional item. \$50.00 for hazardous item pick up.
Cans	X		Aluminum, tin, bi-metal and steel cans accepted; rinse and place in commingle bin. ²
Cardboard	X		Flatten to 3'x3', tied, bundled, place next to curbside bins.
Household Batteries	X		Place in clear plastic bag on or next to recycling container.
Glass	X		Glass food and beverage containers; rinse and remove lids; place in commingle bin. ²
Magazines	X		Place inside curbside bin.
Metals, Other		X	
Metals, Scrap	X		Foil, pie pans, metal lids from glass bottles and jars, pots, pans, empty aerosol cans, and single items; no more than 10lbs.
Mixed Paper	X		Includes phone books, place into curbside bin.
Newspaper	X		Must be bundled or placed in paper bags; white paper, stationary, and photocopies may be placed with newspaper; set adjacent to commingle bin.
Oil	X		Place in one gallon, plastic container with screw top; limit two per pick-up.
Oil Filters	X		Drain and place in sealed, leak-proof plastic bag; leave near recycle bin.
Plastic (#1-#7)	X		Place in commingle bin ² . Tie plastic bags inside one bag.
Polystyrene (Plastic #6)	X		Place blocks in clear plastic bag and set next to recycling bin. NO "PEANUTS".
Yard Trimmings	X		Collected the same day as recyclables in 96 gallon toter.

FOOTNOTES

¹ The number of bins issued to multi-family units varies with location; contact hauler for details

² Metal cans, glass, and PETE plastic are mixed together in a commingled container for collection

OTHER SERVICES

- **HOLIDAY TREE COLLECTION** - Holiday tree collection is offered for a two week period following New Year's Day (exact dates vary from year to year).
- **CUSTOMER SERVICE**
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MULTI-FAMILY RECYCLING PROGRAM

MATERIALS	COLLECTION		PREPARATION AND SORTING REQUIREMENTS
	Yes	No	
Aseptic Containers	X		Milk cartons and juice boxes accepted; rinse and place in commingle bin.
Cans	X		Aluminum, tin, bi-metal, and steel cans are accepted.
Bulk Item Pick-Up	X		\$35.00 for first item and \$30.00 for each additional item. \$50.00 for hazardous item pick up.
Cardboard	X		Flattened to 3'x3', tied, bundled.
Glass	X		All colors of glass bottles and jars.
Magazines	X		Place in mixed paper container.
Metals, Other		X	
Metals, Scrap	X		Place materials in commingle toter.
Mixed Paper	X		In mixed paper container.
Newspaper	X		
Oil	X		
Plastic (#1-#7)	X		96 gallon toter available, if room permits.
Polystyrene (Plastic #6)	X		Place blocks in clear plastic bag and set next to recycling bin. NO "PEANUTS".
Yard Trimmings	X		

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COMMERCIAL RECYCLING FRANCHISE AGREEMENT INFORMATION

The City of Los Altos has a commercial franchise agreement with Los Altos Garbage Company, which has rights to some recyclables. An independent recycling provider may only provide service for source separated recyclables at no charge and they must have a business license with the City of Los Altos. Contact: Stephanie Ulmer (408) 588-7214

LANDFILLS

The City of Los Altos recommends the following landfill:

BFI Newby Island Sanitary Landfill
1601 Dixon Landing Road
San Jose, CA 95035
(408) 262-1401