

Proud to Serve the Los Altos Community

Recycling

Our largest foreign recycling processor China has changed its recycling policies March 1, 2018, tagged "Green Sword". The new contaminant thresholds on bales of recyclable materials purchased from the United States has significantly changed.

For more than 20 years, our process has been relatively seamless, bound to a 5% contamination rate. The new requirements allow no more than 0.5% contamination from processed recycling bales, forcing recycling processors to improve the quality of recovered materials delivered overseas. The demand for cleaner material has been passed from China to domestic processors, to haulers (Mission Trail Waste Systems) and now to our valued customers.



Most recycling materials are now often processed twice to produce and meet the new acceptable thresholds; not to mention, clear our processing facility for newly generated recycling materials. We ask you to please make a concerted effort to keep the commercial recycling stream dry and free of wet material that will ultimately contaminate the clean cardboard, paper, acceptable plastics and aluminum cans.

It is our responsibility to police and do a better job sorting and isolating contaminated materials generate by the customers we service. Cleaner recycling will avoid handling the material twice, control processing costs and get us back to processing quality recycling material ready to be repurposed.

1. Do not put any trash, food waste, yard waste or hazardous wastes in your recycling cart.
2. Properly rinse items prior to putting them in your recycling bin
3. Visit www.missiontrail.com and download our recycling flyer when in doubt or call our customer service center at 650-473-1400
4. Do not place mylar bags, styrofoam or shrinkwrap in the blue recycling.

CHECK LIST ✓

- All food waste must be wiped or rinsed out of containers
- All liquids need to be emptied
- No plastic bags – place recyclables loosely in the blue recycling bin
- All trash must be placed in the black cart

UPCOMING EVENTS

Halloween Spook-tacular

October 31st
@ 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Downtown Los Altos



16th Annual Holiday Stroll

November 9th
@ 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Downtown Los Altos Main and State Streets

Los Altos Holiday Tree Lighting

November 30th
@ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Veterans Community Plaza
Main & State Streets

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL

These items should never be mixed with your regular mixed recycling. Disposal requires special handling.

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

Used Batteries & Fluorescent Light Bulbs
– True Value Hardware
Old Prescriptions – Los Altos Police Department or Walgreens on Grant Rd.

Contact Mission Trail for information on how to dispose of the following:

- Computers & Electronics
- Paint
- Needles or syringes
- Toxic Material containers

Thanksgiving Pickup Schedule

During Thanksgiving week, our service normally provided on Thursday & Friday will be one day later.

**For the week of
November 19-24, 2018**

If your collection day is:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Your collection day will be:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Fri. 23	Sat. 24



Contact us:

Location: 1060 Richard Ave.,
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Office Hours: 8am-5pm,
Monday-Friday

Phone: 650-473-1400

Web: www.MissionTrail.com



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Holiday Collection Schedule Inside!

Christmas Pickup Schedule

**For the week of
December 24-29, 2018**

If your collection day is:	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Your collection day will be:	Mon. 24	Wed. 26	Thu. 27	Fri. 28	Sat. 29

