

LESS FOOD WASTE IN LANDFILLS LIMITS GREENHOUSE GASES

The new state law SB 1383 makes it mandatory for all residents to recycle their organics weekly. Starting May 1, 2024, your brown landscape cart will become your organics cart. Place food + landscape waste in your brown cart for weekly collection on your scheduled pickup day.



HELPFUL TIPS TO CARE FOR YOUR KITCHEN PAIL

KEEP YOUR KITCHEN PAIL ACCESSIBLE

Store the pail under the sink and place it on the kitchen counter during meal preparation to simplify food scrap collection.

LINE YOUR KITCHEN PAIL WITH NEWSPAPER OR A PAPER BAG

It will help to absorb moisture. No plastic bags are allowed in your organics cart.

RINSE YOUR PAIL AS NEEDED TO KEEP IT SMELLING FRESH

Sprinkling baking soda can help neutralize odors. Your pail is dishwasher safe but avoid the heat-dry setting.

EMPTY EVERY TWO DAYS TO HELP PREVENT ODORS

Remember to empty more frequently when dealing with raw meat scraps and other items that spoil faster.

SPOILED FOOD CAN GO DIRECTLY INTO YOUR ORGANICS CART

We recommend cleaning the fridge the evening before your collection day to help reduce odor and decomposition.

WHAT GOES IN THE ORGANICS CONTAINER?

FOOD

Bones, shells, raw, cooked, or spoiled food scraps of any variety.

FOOD-SOILED PAPER

Napkins, paper towels, paper-based take-out containers, pizza boxes, and coffee filters.

YARD WASTE

Brush, branches (less than 4' in length and 3" in diameter), lawn and plant clippings, shrubbery, twigs, weeds, and wood chips (no dirt).







Para ver la información en español.

For more information regarding the new state law, SB 1383, visit https://mdrr.com/sb1383-rio/