

Container Checks

Help Us Keep Our Community Clean!



What are container checks?

Container checks are a quick peek at your trash, recycling and/or organic waste bins to ensure the materials in each bin are being sorted correctly.

Why do container checks matter?

Instant feedback! Per the requirements of California Senate Bill 1383, when contamination is found, it must be recorded, reported, and followed up with education to help customers improve their sorting practices

How do container checks work?

- ✓ **Quick lid flip:** City employees lift the lid of your bin to check for sorting errors.
- ✓ **Feedback tag:** If contamination (incorrect materials in the bin) is found, you will receive a tag with tips for improvement.

What you can do - Recycle Right!



Ensure that recyclables are empty, dry and loose in the blue recycling bin:



Glass Bottles and Jars



Metal Containers and Foil



Paper and Cardboard



Rigid Plastics including Bottles, Jars, Clean Food Waste Containers, Jugs, Tubs and Trays



Green organic waste recycling bin:



Food Scraps



Food-Soiled Paper



Yard Trimmings



Nonhazardous Wood Waste



Bin Tip: Plastic bags and compostable plastic bags are **not** accepted in the blue recycling bin or green organic waste recycling bin. To avoid issues with pets/vermin, please keep lids **closed** at all times.



Questions? We're here to help! Please contact us at 858-694-7000 or SDRecyclingWorks@sandiego.gov or visit SDRecyclingWorks.com

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