

What to Recycle

Remember to:

1. Empty and scrape all containers.
2. Flatten cartons and boxes, and place them inside your cart.
3. Secure shredded paper and textiles inside a clear plastic bag.



PLASTICS

All plastic items labeled with the numbers 1 through 7, * like:

- Soda, water, mouthwash, and mustard containers
- Detergent bottles, flower pots, milk jugs, shampoo bottles, spray bottles, yogurt and margarine tubs
- PVC pipe, hard plastic toys, compact disc cases
- Medicine bottles, squeezable bottles (e.g., honey)
- Large reusable water bottles, juice jugs
- Clear take-out clamshells

*Return clean plastic bags to grocery store for recycling.
Soiled plastic bags and polystyrene foam go in the garbage cart.



CANS & CARTONS

Beverage cartons and boxes (e.g., juice, milk, cream)

Tin, aluminum, and steel cans and lids:

- Food and beverage cans (e.g., soda, tuna, soup, pet food)



GLASS

Glass bottles and jars (all colors)

GARBAGE CART

Remember, the following items **MUST** go in your garbage cart, **NOT** in your recycling cart:

- food • diapers
- polystyrene foam



PAPER & CARDBOARD

Cardboard, shoe boxes, cereal and cracker boxes (remove liners)

Catalogs, magazines, newspapers, telephone books

Egg cartons

Gift wrap (no metallic/foil)

Mail, envelopes, advertisements (gloss and plastic windows OK)

Office paper (e.g., construction, printer, and shredded)

Paper shopping bags

*Food-contaminated paper such as paper plates and pizza boxes go in the garbage cart.



TEXTILES

Clean cotton, linen, polyester, rayon and wool fabrics (e.g. blankets, sheets, clothes)



SCRAP METALS

Clean aluminum foil and trays

Small metal appliances (e.g., toaster, waffle iron, blender)

Metal lids and caps from glass bottles, keys

Empty paint cans and lids (separated)

Metal pots and pans

Empty aerosol cans

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

For a free drop-off appointment, visit

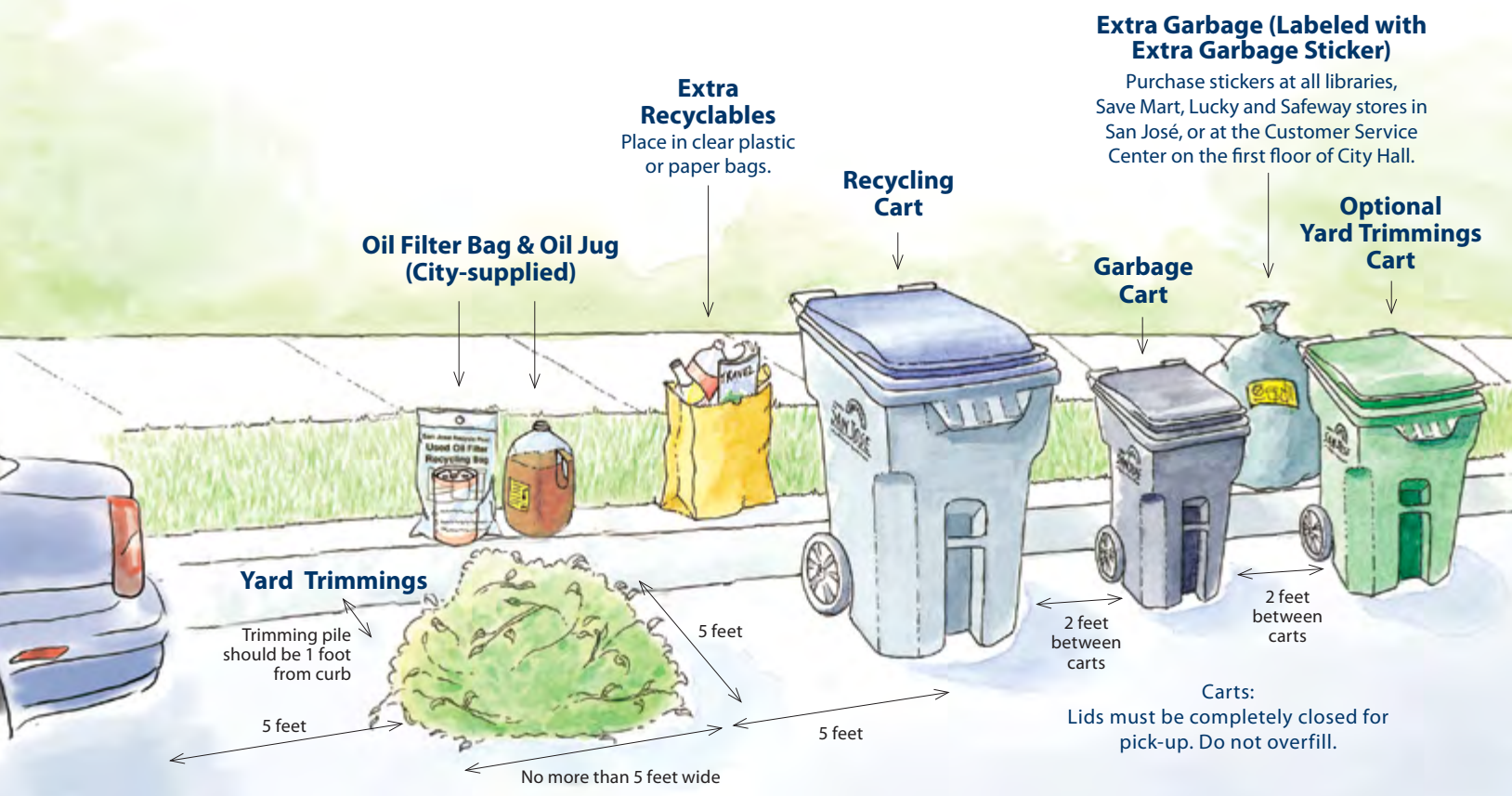
www.hhw.org or call (408) 299-7300 to dispose of items such as batteries, chemicals, electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, helium and propane tanks, and syringes.



Curbside Setout Instructions

Para obtener esta información en español, llame al (408) 535-3500.

Nếu quý vị cần thông tin tiếng Việt, xin gọi (408) 535-3500.



Recycling and Waste Collection Companies

Find your collection company, neighborhood cleanup and collection day at sanjoseca.gov/lookup

Neighborhood Areas	Garbage	Recycling Collection, Large Item Pickup, Used Motor Oil & Filter Collection	Yard Trimmings, Street Sweeping
Downtown, and north, east, and south San José	 Garden City Sanitation (408) 988-4500 www.gardencitysanitation.com	 California Waste Solutions (408) 213-7800 www.calwaste.com	 GreenWaste Recovery (408) 283-4800 www.greenwaste.com
West San José	 GreenTeam of San Jose (408) 282-4400 • www.greenteam.com		

Contact your collection company to report missed collection, damaged carts, and other service issues.

San José Customer Contact Center

www.sanjoseca.gov/customerservice or (408) 535-3500

Account inquiries ■ Bill payment ■ Cart size changes ■ Information about City services

Recycling Hotline

www.recyclestuff.org or (408) 924-5453

To recycle unusual items that do not belong in your carts
 To find a listing of local landfills

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, City of San José Environmental Services Department materials can be made available upon request in alternative formats, such as Braille, large print, audiotape or computer disk. Requests may be made by calling (408) 535-3500 (voice) or (800) 735-2929 (California Relay Service).

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