

Organic Waste Disposal Reduction - Waiver Application

Monterey County Code 10.45.060 Organic Waste Disposal Reduction Ordinance requires that all commercial accounts subscribe to compost collection service from franchised hauler Waste Management, unless they have an approved waiver or an approved alternative recycling service (such as back-haul, self-haul, shared service, or third-party service provider). Sites with an approved waiver will not be required to subscribe to compost (organic) service. Waiver is valid for a 5-year period if the requirements below are met. If operations change or service levels increase, the business may be subject subscription of organics service.

There are three types of waivers offered for commercial business generators:

1. De Minimis Waiver (minimal/low generator) – The County may waive a commercial businesses obligation to comply with some or all the organic waste requirements if the commercial business provides documentation that the business generates below a certain amount of organic waste material for businesses that generate a minimal amount of organic waste (food scraps, food-soiled paper, and plant debris). There are two thresholds for qualifying, depending on the amount of waste your business* generates:

Amount of waste your business* generates <i>(garbage and recycling combined)</i>	Threshold to Qualify for a Minimal Generation Waiver
Less than 2 cubic yards of total weekly service	Generate no more than 10 gallons of compostable/organic waste or recyclables per week
2 or more cubic yards of total weekly service	Generate no more than 20 gallons of compostable/organic waste or recyclables per week

*Note, multifamily properties are not eligible for de minimis generation waivers.

2. Physical space waivers – The County Enforcement Official may waive a commercial businesses or property owners’ obligations to comply with some or all of the recyclable materials and/or organic waste collection service requirements when there are physical space constraints that prohibit the addition of recycling or compost containers. Physical space waivers apply to structures built before 2019 per Monterey County Code Chapter 18.11 Green Building Standards.

3. Collection Frequency – The owner or tenant of any residence, premises, business establishment or industry that subscribes to the County’s three container organic waste collection service may arrange for collection every fourteen (14) days, rather than once per week. Collection frequency to be verified prior to approval of waiver. If located in applicable area of Monterey County.

Fill in the following information for your business or multi-family complex.

BUSINESS NAME: _____

SERVICE ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

TITLE/ROLE: _____ PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

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BUSINESS TYPE: Choose an item.

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: _____

Does the business or multifamily have any of the following onsite? (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Food service | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employee eating area/break room | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping |

Type of waiver requesting: Choose an item.

De Minimis Threshold: Choose an item.

Current service level: Garbage: _____ Recycling: _____

Reasons for requesting a waiver:

Attach supporting documents such as photos of contents of the garbage container, photos of enclosure showing space limitation.

By signing below, I agree to comply with the requirements of Monterey County Code 10.45.060 Organic Waste Disposal Reduction Ordinance and acknowledge that this waiver is valid for 5 years. Failure to comply with these terms may result in immediate suspension/revocation of the exemption and/or enforcement action, including immediate initiation of garbage service to be provided by the franchised hauler. I understand this information may be verified by an on-site visit or other investigation by the Monterey County Health Director or their designee. I certify that the reasons for my request of a waiver as claimed above are complete and accurate.

Print : _____

Signature : _____ Date : _____

Completed waivers can be submitted online at www.mtyhd.org/sb1383, via e-mail, or mail:

E-mail: Recycle@co.monterey.ca.us

Mail: Monterey County Health Department
Attn: Recycling Services
1270 Natividad Rd. Salinas, CA 93906