



Here's what you need to know about disposing of waste from household and workplace cleaning, as well as if there are any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19.

Garbage, recycling and compost collection is an essential public service and will continue as normal.

### **Household Waste**

The CDC determined the COVID-19 virus is not a Category A infectious substance, therefore solid waste from households that is or is suspected to be contaminated with the virus can be managed as it would be for the flu. In an abundance of caution, generators should ensure waste bags are tightly closed and curbside containers are not overfilled so the lids close completely. Please notify us if you know or suspect your waste is contaminated with the COVID-19 virus. Remember to wash your hands thoroughly after dealing with any objects you suspect could be contaminated.

As we all wash our hands and clean our houses, here are some general reminders:

Single-use/anti-bacterial wipes should be disposed of in the trash, and this includes the so-called "flushable" wipes which aren't actually flushable.

Paper towels go in the waste cart.

Please do not put any cleaning wipes, tissues or paper towels in the recycling.

The cylindrical plastic cleaning wipes containers can go in the recycling when empty, along with any empty soap or hand sanitizer plastic bottles. Soap boxes, paper towel tubes and other clean paper items can continue to go in the recycling as well.

### **Business Waste**

Solid waste from commercial generators may also be managed as normal unless directed otherwise by the local health department. Again, to the extent possible, generators should ensure waste bags are tightly closed and containers are not overfilled so the lids close completely. Please notify us if you know or suspect your waste is contaminated with the COVID-19 virus. Remember to wash your hands after dealing with objects you suspect could be contaminated.

As the situation continues to evolve, waste handling measures may change. Be on the lookout for additional information from local health authorities.

### **South Lake Recycling Center**

We will be suspending the processing single stream recycling (mixed paper, cardboard, plastic containers, bottle and cans) at the Recycling Drop-Off Center on Davis Street due to Covid-19.

### **Materials Accepted include:**

White metal appliances, tires, refrigerators, batteries, motor oil, paint, sharps, and e-waste.

### **Drop- Off Center Hours Change Due to Covid-19 and staff reductions, we will close to the public on Sundays.**

Drop off hours Monday through Saturday will remain the same 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

Please call our office for any questions, 707-994-8613.