

UNIVERSAL ZERO WASTE ORDINANCE

HOW DO NEW REQUIREMENTS AFFECT ME?

WHY NEW REQUIREMENTS?

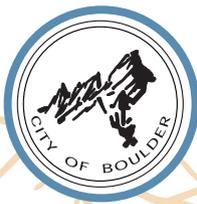
Property Owner Toolkit

New zero waste requirements affect all residents, businesses, property managers and special events in Boulder in 2016.

Boulder is a sustainability leader in many ways, yet we send more than two-thirds of our waste to the landfill. As a community, we get very little value out of burying trash in the ground—in fact, we pay to do it. We know from cities like Portland and San Francisco that we can use resources more wisely, clean up our community and power a vibrant future. So let's get started!



**RECYCLE. COMPOST. LANDFILL.
EVERYWHERE YOU GO.**



ZeroWasteBoulder.com



By June 2016, **property owners** are required to:



Provide recycling and compost hauling services to all tenants;



Post zero waste signs; and



Educate tenants about what items go where.

TODAY

Boulder businesses recycle and compost 28% of their waste.



Boulder apartment residents recycle and compost 20% of their waste.



2025

All Boulder businesses and residents recycle and compost 85% of their waste.

HOW TO COMPLY



STEP 1: GET SERVICE, BUY BINS

Talk with waste haulers about the right service level and rates. Consider requesting bids from multiple haulers to find the best option for you. Your hauler should be able to recommend bin size and frequency of pickup.

Get a Discount

Adding new recycling or composting service or expanding current collection to comply with the new requirements? The city will rebate up to 50% of the cost of collection bins. Access rebate forms at zerowasteboulder.com on the Businesses page.

If your property is located west of Broadway and south of Sumac Avenue, secure your waste containers from wildlife in compliance with the city's Bear Protection Ordinance (No. 7962).



STEP 2: SET UP BINS

Work with your hauler to place outside containers for recyclables and compostables next to outside containers for landfill.

Limited Space?

Containers may not all need to be the same size. You may be able to decrease your landfill container as you add compost collection. If you are a commercial property owner or manager, consider partnering with your neighbors to combine services and save space.

Rolling Grant Program*

The city will fund up to half the cost of outdoor enclosure expansions needed to accommodate proper containers for recyclables and compostables.

*Subject to funding availability.



STEP 3: HANG SIGNS

Free Stock Signs

Email zerowaste@bouldercolorado.gov to request the type and number of signs you would like, or download stock signs from ZeroWasteBoulder.com.

Free Custom Signs

The city will make custom signs with pictures of items found at your property. Email zerowaste@bouldercolorado.gov. Be prepared to submit photos for your signs.



STEP 4: TRAIN TENANTS

Train current tenants, all new tenants and custodial staff at least once each year about where containers are located and about what items go where. At your trainings:

- Review recycling and composting guidelines from your hauler.
- Lead a walk-through of outside container locations, noting the signs you have posted.
- If applicable, ask business owners to share this information with their staff.

ASSISTANCE & MORE

Read more about the ordinance, find compliance and training resources, and learn about free advising and financial incentives at:

ZeroWasteBoulder.com

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Contact the City of Boulder

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