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Tips for Reusing Plastic Bags

Even if you use reusable shopping bags, there's a good chance you have some plastic grocery bags somewhere in your home. In addition to using the bags for trash, storage, and even picking up after the dog, here are a few more creative ways to reuse those plastic grocery bags.*



- **Use it as a wet bag.** To separate wet bathing suits from dry contents, toss a grocery bag or two into your beach bag when you pack for the day.
- **Pack shoes in suitcases.** Before you head out on your vacation, wrap shoes in plastic bags before packing them in a suitcase to keep your soles from dirtying garments.
- **Use as travel hampers.** Pack a few extra grocery bags (in addition to those you use for separating shoes) to stash dirty laundry while you travel.
- **Stuff into shoes and purses to retain their shape.** Plastic bags stuffed into purses, shoes, and boots can help these items retain their shape between uses.
- **Protect fragile items while moving.** Wrap fragile belongings, like vases or ceramic platters, in bags before placing them in moving boxes. This prevents items from hitting against each other and reduces breakage.



Plastic bags can also be used in various craft projects and home improvement jobs. Search the internet for ideas and inspiration.

*SOURCE: <https://www.thekitchn.com/ways-to-reuse-plastic-grocery-bags-23186101>



Donate to Reduce Waste

One person's trash is another person's treasure.

Instead of discarding unwanted appliances, tools, or clothes, try selling or donating them. Not only will you be reducing waste, you'll be helping others. Local churches, community centers, thrift stores, schools, and nonprofit organizations may accept a variety of donated items, including used books, working electronics, and unneeded furniture.

Benefits of Donation

- Prevents usable goods from going into landfills.
- Helps your community and those in need.
- Tax benefits may be available.

Did You Know?

The ACI of San Ramon Neighborhood Clean-Up Program accepts clean undamaged, reusable items that are set apart from other items. The reusable items will be sent to a sorting/donation facility. *Please note: no receipts are given for reusable items.* For more info, visit SanRamonRecycles.com/residential/bulky



Curbside Collection Guidelines

Be sure your carts are at the curb by 5:30am on your collection day. Log into your account or contact us to find your service day.

- Place your carts facing the street with wheels against the curb.
- Leave 3 feet between each cart whenever possible and keep carts away from parked cars, fire hydrants, low-hanging branches, basketball hoops, and other obstacles.
- Place extra cardboard beside your recycling cart. Please flatten and cut down to pieces no larger than 2 feet by 3 feet.
- Leave the carts at the curb until we've emptied them. Our trucks can arrive at different times of day each week.
- **REMEMBER: Put your collection carts away after servicing.**
- Avoid overloading your carts. The lids should be closed completely. Wedging or compacting materials in your carts can cause litter and prevent your carts from emptying properly.

Visit SanRamonRecycles.com/residential/guidelines for info.

BBQ Season is Here!

Be sure to properly dispose of ash:

1. Place fireplace, stove, and barbeque ashes in a metal container with a tight fitting lid.
2. Put the container with ashes outside - at least 10 feet away from your home and combustibles.
3. Wet the ashes down. Contain COLD ashes (in a bag or box) so they do not blow away during collection, and place them in your **GARBAGE** cart.

For additional fire safety tips:

- Contra Costa County Fire Protection District: www.cccfpd.org
- Cal Fire: www.fire.ca.gov
- U.S. Fire Administration: www.usfa.fema.gov



Hot ashes and **GARBAGE** carts don't mix!

PEOPLE SORT YOUR RECYCLABLES. HELP PROTECT OUR SORTING STAFF

Scan the QR code for a list of what belongs in each collection bin and to watch what happens to your recyclables after they are collected.



HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

There are **NO CHANGES** to the collection schedule during the week of Labor Day.



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