

Additional Carts

Recycling – EKUCA residential customers who regularly generate excess recyclables can request additional 96-gallon recycling carts for a monthly charge invoiced separately by WM.

Organic Waste – EKUCA residential customers who regularly generate excess organic waste can request additional 96-gallon organic waste carts for a monthly charge invoiced separately by WM.

Trash – EKUCA residential customers who regularly generate excess trash can request additional 96-gallon trash carts for a monthly charge invoiced separately by WM.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

EKUCA residents can dispose of household hazardous waste, such as batteries, sharps, household cleaners, pesticides, paint products, swimming pool chemicals and automotive fluids at the following County Special Waste Facilities:



Ridgecrest

Ridgecrest Kern County Special Waste Facility

3301 W. Bowman Road at the Ridgecrest Landfill

Hours: 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bakersfield

Metro Kern County Special Waste Facility

4951 Standard Street (Southwest corner of Standard and Foster Streets)

Hours: Wednesday –Saturday – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mojave

Mojave Special Waste Facility

17035 Finin Street (Southwest corner of Finin & Sabovich Streets on the Mojave Airport property)

Hours: 1st Saturday of every odd month (January, March, May, July, September, November) - 9 a.m. to noon

One-Day Kern County Collection Events.

For upcoming dates and locations, visit kernpublicworks.com

ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT AND SPECIAL SERVICES

Property Tax Inquiries

EKUCA Standard Service is billed annually via Kern County Residential Property Tax Bills. For questions about your property tax bill, please contact Kern County Public Works at (661) 862-5100 or visit their website at kernpublicworks.com.

WM Invoices and Payments

Additional services for EKUCA residential customers are invoiced by WM. You can conveniently and securely view and pay invoices online at wm.com or through the My WM Mobile App for your Apple or Android device. Payments can also be made by mail to P.O. Box 541008, Los Angeles, CA 90054-1008 or dropped off in person at 416 N. Dennison Rd, Tehachapi, CA 93561.

Walk-Out Service for Disabled Customers

WM offers a walk out service at no charge for qualified disabled customers with a single-family residence. To request this service, contact Customer Service at (661) 947-7197.

Eastern Kern Universal Collection Area

Residential Service Rates

Monthly Rate

EKUCA Standard Residential Three Cart Service \$46.65/month

Additional containers and services are invoiced separately

by WM, Including:

Additional trash cart (Weekly Service) \$26.64/month

Additional recycling cart (Every Other Week Service)..... \$10.21/month

Additional organics cart (Weekly Service) \$11.28/month

Service Information

For more information, please visit home.wm.com/kern-county.

Customer Service

Download the My WM Mobile App

Live Chat at wm.com

Call (661) 947-7197

Visit 416 N. Dennison Rd, Tehachapi, CA 93561

Eastern Kern Universal Collection Area

Residential Waste and Recycling Service Guide

Organics Service Starts 1/8



Proud to Serve Kern County

WM and Kern County are proud to present Eastern Kern Universal Collection Area residents with this updated service guide to your recycling, organic waste, and trash collection services to comply with California State Senate Bill (SB) 1383. Bulky item and Christmas tree pickup will begin the week of January 1st. Weekly organic service will begin the week of January 8th.

Residential Cart Service

EKUCA Standard Residential Service will include one 96-gallon recycling cart serviced every other week, one 96-gallon organic waste collection cart serviced weekly and one 96-gallon trash cart serviced weekly. A listing of which items may be placed in each container is noted in this guide and on the lid of each cart as are instructions on placing the carts for service.

From Kitchen to Cart – Tips for Separating Your Food Waste



Step 1

Find a bowl or bucket; Layer the bottom with newspaper or line it with a paper bag or approved compostable bag. Fill it with acceptable organic waste.



Step 2

Empty contents into your WM organic waste cart prior to service.



Step 3

Wipe out any residual and spray with vinegar solution (if needed), let it dry and line with newspaper or paper bag.

For more information about organic waste recycling, visit the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) website at www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/

Container Color Transition

California regulations under State Senate Bill (SB) 1383 require collection containers to be uniform across the state by 2036. In the Eastern Kern Universal Collection Area, the new cart color scheme will be as follows: recycling carts will have a blue lid, organic waste carts will have a green lid, and trash carts will have a black lid. While new carts will be delivered in this color scheme, existing carts will be transitioned gradually to minimize service disruptions. Make sure you check the lid or label for instructions on how to use your carts correctly and avoid contamination.



Recycling

- Your dark gray cart with a blue lid is for recycling collection. Place the following items loose in your cart, do not bag your recyclables.



Do Not Include:

Food or Liquids, Plastic Bags or Film, Foam Containers, Clothing, Furniture, or Carpet, Batteries, Electronics, Hazardous Waste, Yard Waste

Organic Waste - Weekly Service begins Monday, January 8, 2024

- Your dark gray cart with a green lid will be organic waste collection. You may use a compostable bag that meets ASTM D6400 standards or place organic waste loosely in the cart.

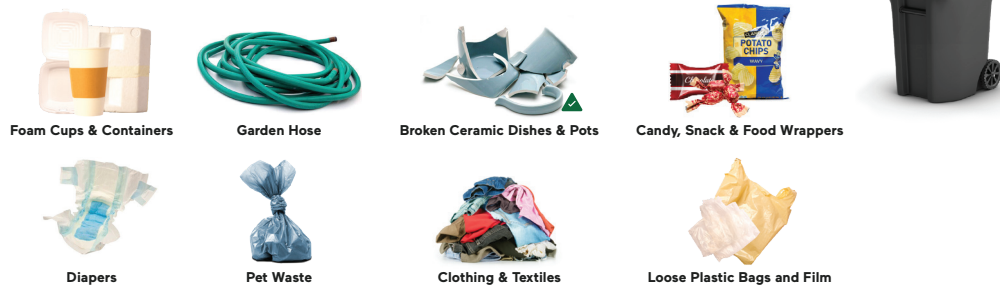


Do Not Include:

Serveware/Utensils, Plastic Containers, Foam Containers, Hazardous Waste, Fats, Oils, or Greases, Diapers, Pet Waste

Trash

- Your dark gray cart with a black lid is for trash collection.



Do Not Include:

Organics/Recyclables, Electronics, Batteries, Tires or Paint, Flammable Material, Needles

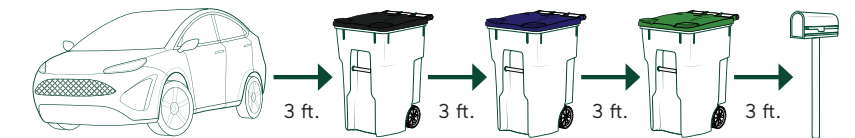
Holidays

WM observes the following holidays. When your collection day falls on or after one of these holidays, your collection will be delayed by one day that week only. Visit home.wm.com/kern-county for a collection calendar

- New Year's Day (January 1)
- Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- Independence Day (July 4)
- Labor Day (First Monday in September)
- Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November)
- Christmas Day (December 25)

Cart Service Reminders

- Place all waste and recycling in the appropriate container and close the lid so that it fits tight to the cart body. Trash, organics, and recyclables left outside the carts will not be collected.
- Place your carts at the curb by 6 a.m. on collection day. Emptied carts should be removed from curbside following service.
- Roll carts into street and place them against the curb with the handles facing your home. Place carts at least three feet apart from other carts and objects.



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Bulky Item Collection (Begins the week of January 1, 2024)

Each EKUCA residential customer is entitled to up to twelve (12) bulky item pick-ups per year, of up two (2) items per pick up, at no additional charge. Collection must be scheduled at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of your regular service day. To get started and request your Customer ID, contact Customer Service at (661) 947-7197. Once you have your Customer ID, you can setup your My WM Profile on wm.com and schedule future bulky item pickups via the web or the My WM Mobile App for your Apple or Android device.

Acceptable Bulky Items: furniture (chair, mattress, sofa), appliances (dishwasher, microwave), electronic waste (TVs, computers), area rug

Unacceptable Bulky Items: household hazardous waste (such as paint, oil and batteries), tires, spas, pianos, vehicle parts, items requiring more than two persons to safely handle

Holiday Tree Collection (Begins the week of January 1, 2024)

EKUCA residential customers can recycle real and unflocked trees and wreaths during the first two service days following December 25 at no additional charge. Just place them at the curb on your service day. Trees longer than six (6) feet must be cut in half. Please remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments, and tree stands.