

Town of Apple Valley  
Public Services  
14955 Dale Evans Parkway  
Apple Valley, CA 92307



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*A Better Way of Life . . .*

## Disposal and Recycling Services



Services provided by  
AVCO Disposal  
A Burrtec Company

## Special Disposal Services

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Hazardous waste generated by ordinary household use may be dropped off free of charge at the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Center, 13450 Nom-waket Road, every Saturday, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., weather permitting. Materials accepted include pesticides, poisons, expired medicines, paint and paint thinners, photography and hobby supplies, fertilizers, cleaners, polishes, computer monitors, TVs, pool chemicals, solvents, household and car batteries, antifreeze, motor oil and oil filters. Home generated medical sharps (syringes, lancets, etc.) are now accepted, as well. Sharps must be transported in an approved container. Tires are **not** accepted at HHW. If you aren't sure whether a material is accepted, please call Public Services at (760) 240-7521 or Public Works at (760) 240-7500, during business hours. No business waste can be accepted.

### Large Item Pickup

Large items, up to five at a time, may be scheduled for curbside pick up at no charge twice a year by calling AVCO Disposal at (760) 245-8607. For a fee, AVCO will schedule additional bulky item pickups if needed.

### Special Collection Events

The following free collection events are conducted each year for Apple Valley residents. Check the Town's website at [www.applevalley.org](http://www.applevalley.org) and local newspapers for dates and times of special events:

◇ **Appliance Collection**

◇ **Tire Drop-Off**

◇ **Mattress Collection**



**Don't throw it away!  
Recycle it!**

**NOTE:** Following legal holidays, disposal collection will be one day later. The legal holidays are New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. When a holiday falls on a weekday prior to the scheduled pickup, actual pickup will occur one day later.

## Trash Disposal Services

The Town of Apple Valley contracts with AVCO Disposal, a Burrtec company, for automated trash and recycling collection. Each home within the Town limits receives a green container ranging from 40 to 95 gallons in size for trash and a 60-gallon blue container for recycling. The blue recycling container is free.

Fees for trash disposal are based on the size of the green trash container. Smaller trash containers cost less to use than larger containers. These are the only containers that can be used for trash collection since they are designed to fit the robotic arms of the trucks that empty them.

The trash fee is paid every two months, and includes the following charges:

- Service fee for hauling
- AB 939 recycling fee
- Landfill charge for dumping
- Administrative and Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) charges

Since there is no charge for the blue recycling barrel, the more carefully residents separate discards and use the blue barrel for recyclables, the smaller the trash barrel can be and the lower the trash disposal fee will be. **Recycling is very important for the environment.**

### Curbside Trash Disposal

Residential automated trash collection occurs the same day of each week, depending on location. Please contact AVCO at 760-245-8607 for the pickup day in your area.

Trash and recycling barrels need to be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. the day of pickup. The time of the pickup occasionally varies, depending on driver and route, so it is best to be early. It is a violation of the Municipal Code for carts to be left on the street for more than 24 hours, so be sure to remove them from the street promptly.

For pickup, place containers about a foot away from the edge of the roadside. This allows the disposal trucks to empty the containers without driving off the edge of the road or driveway and causing damage. Carts should be 2'-3' apart from each other and turned so the handle of the container is closest to your house. Please make certain the containers are placed well away from mailboxes, fences, etc., that could hamper service.

Barrels are emptied mechanically into the top of the truck by robotic arms. **Do not leave trash on the ground around the barrels; it cannot be picked up.**

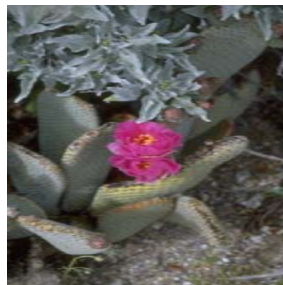
If a trash or recycling container is damaged, except due to customer negligence, you may contact AVCO for a replacement at no extra cost.

### Curbside Recycling Service

Apple Valley also contracts with AVCO Disposal to handle all recyclables from the curbside pickup program. This system of collection is termed "commingled," since all recyclables are put into one container.

Recyclables are collected from the blue recycling barrels and taken to the Materials Recovery Facility or "MRF," jointly owned and operated by the Town of Apple Valley and the City of Victorville.

At the MRF, the recyclables are sorted, baled, and sold to various markets, primarily overseas. Revenues generated by the sale of recyclables help defray the operating costs of the MRF which average over \$120,000 per month. You may also take recyclables to the MRF's buy-back center for payment.



### Recycle it!

Put the following recyclables in the blue barrel:

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| Aluminum cans      | Office paper       |
| Brochures          | Paper tubes        |
| Cardboard          | Phone books        |
| Cereal boxes       | Plastics #1- #7    |
| Computer paper     | Plastic milk jugs  |
| Coupons            | Plastic water jugs |
| Glass bottles/jars | All rigid plastics |
| Junk mail          | Shoe boxes         |
| Laundry bottles    | Tin cans           |
| Ledger paper       | Tissue boxes       |
| Magazines          | Used envelopes     |
| Mixed paper        | Window envelopes   |
| Newspaper          | Wrapping paper     |

### Trash it!

The following items go in the green trash barrel:

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Animal waste     | Packing "peanuts" |
| Bathroom waste   | Plastic bags      |
| Carbon paper     | Plastic toys      |
| Carpet           | Rags/textiles     |
| Ceramic glass    | Soiled paper      |
| Drinking glasses | Sponges           |
| Flooring         | Stretch plastic   |
| Food/yard waste  | Styrofoam         |
| Mirrors          | Window glass      |
| NCR paper        | Waxed cartons     |
| Nursery pots     | Waxed paper       |

**Absolutely no toxic or hazardous waste may be discarded in either recycling or trash containers.**



**Green Apple**  
Town of Apple Valley



### Questions?

- Questions concerning pickup days, requests for new containers, questions on bills, and special service requests should be directed to AVCO Disposal, 760-245-8607.
- Questions about your disposal billing may go to the Finance Department, 760-240-7000 x 7704.
- Questions concerning household hazardous waste should be directed to Public Services at 760-240-7521 or x 7500.

### Easy Does It!

Consider the free, no-hassle, *Easy-Pay Program* to have the sanitation bill paid automatically from your bank account. Pick up an application at Town Hall, call AVCO to have an application mailed to you, or download an application from the Town's website at [www.applevalley.org](http://www.applevalley.org). Simply mail the completed application to Town Hall along with a voided check and *voila!* No more checks or postage stamps!



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