

# TRASH AND RECYCLING GUIDELINES

## How to Practice Wise Waste Habits in Aztec

### RECYCLING IS IMPORTANT, NOW MORE THAN EVER



#### AMERICAN MANUFACTURING RELIES ON YOUR RECYCLABLES

- On average, 40% of essential product manufacturing relies on recyclables to make new products like napkins, tissue, and boxes.



#### RECYCLING HELPS THE ENVIRONMENT BY SAVING RESOURCES

- Recycled material replaces raw resources as feedstock during the manufacturing process.
- Recycling an aluminum can saves 95% of the energy used to produce it from raw materials.



#### SAVE LANDFILL SPACE FOR NON-RECYCLABLE WASTE

- Some waste can't be recycled, but paper, cardboard, cans and bottles can be, extending the life of the landfill and saving valuable space.



### TRASH ALL PPE (masks, gloves, etc.)

Masks, gloves, plastic sheets, and other personal protective equipment (PPE) should be disposed of in the trash. Place them in a plastic bag so they are secured in your trash container. Please do not litter or recycle these items.

### BULK ITEMS

Anything too large to go in your bin is considered a bulk item. Schedule up to two free bulky item collections at your home by calling WM at (505) 892-1200. Additional collections available for a fee.

### SPECIAL WASTE

Paints, garden chemicals, household cleaners, electronics and sharps should stay out of your normal trash or recycling bin. The best disposal option is At Your Door Special Collection®. To schedule a free collection, call (800) 449-7587 or visit [WMAYourDoor.com](http://WMAYourDoor.com)

### EXTRA TRASH

Trash volumes are up 20-25% for almost all our residential customers. If you have extra trash, you can visit the San Juan County Landfill up to six times per year and dispose up to 1,000 pounds for free. Proof of residency required. Address: 78 CR 3140

By reducing, reusing, and recycling, we create less waste that goes into the landfill, benefit the environment, and support domestic manufacturing. Make sure to recycle right to have the biggest impact. For more information, go to [wm.com/recycleright](http://wm.com/recycleright).

