

Resources for Successful Summertime Projects

The longer days of summer are here! The extra daylight and warm weather is the perfect recipe for enjoying the outdoors. If you have summertime projects in the works, the tips below can help set you up for success!



Resurfacing the Pool? Is there anything nicer than a sparkling blue pool on a hot summer day? Many people want to resurface fountains and pools before the very hot months of August and September. The discharge of swimming pool water and filter backwash that contains excess detergents, wastes, algacides, or "salt water pools" is prohibited in the City of Hermosa Beach. Remember to test your water prior to discharging (Chapter 8.44.060 Prohibited activities). To limit evaporation and conserve water, all pools and spas must have covers when not in use (Chapter 8.56.070 Water conservation requirements).

Painting the Fence? Maybe you 're like Tom Sawyer and you can convince all of your friends to whitewash your fence, but do you know what to do with the paint once they' re done? Residents and businesses can return up to 20 gallons of unused paint per visit to Dunn Edwards, 2775 Pacific Coast Hwy, Hermosa Beach or visit paintcare.org for nearby drop-off locations

Doing a Little Reorganizing? If "spring cleaning" is overlapping into summertime, and you 've decided to clear out your closets, storage areas, and garage, don 't forget to donate items that are in good condition. Make sure to wash and dry clothing, test electrical or battery operated equipment to determine if they still work, and include all the pieces and parts to kids ' games and toys. Call your local thrift shop or charity to see if they have any standards for donations . Do not leave items unattended at drop-off sites.

Updating with New Furniture? If it 's about time to upgrade that old patio furniture, call your local Salvation Army at 1-800-SA-TRUCK or check the ReStore website at www.habitat.org/env/restores.aspx and schedule a pickup to donate your used items. If the old furniture is beyond repair, contact Athens Services at 1-888- 336-6100 to schedule a bulky item collection on your next trash pick-up day.

Working in the Garden? A beautiful garden starts with some great soil! Composting is a great way to recycle food scraps and yard trimmings into a valuable garden amendment. Worm composting is another way to participate in an organics program. Composting and worm bins are available for sale to Hermosa Beach residents at reduced prices. For more information on composting please call (888) 336-6100. For more information visit www.smartgardening.com for other helpful tips.

Holiday Trash And Recycling Collection Schedule



The City of Hermosa Beach has a modified trash and recycling collection schedule six days each year. On these days, trash and recycling collection shifts from the holiday listed below to the 'next day service', including Saturdays.

New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day

When the holiday falls on a weekday, collections for the remainder of that week will be delayed one day.



FAQ's: Plastic Bag Ban



Why did the City ban Single-Use Plastic Bags?

Plastic bags are the second-most common type of ocean refuse found during beach clean-ups, after cigarette butts. A single plastic bag can take up to 1,000 years to degrade. The City of Hermosa Beach adopted a ban on single-use carryout shopping bags on September 1, 2015 with an effective date of the ordinance is October 1, 2015. The ban was undertaken in order to reduce the number of plastic bags that end up in the marine environment, to encourage customers to bring their own bags to the store, and to reduce waste.

What does the Ordinance do?

This Ordinance prohibits any retail establishment in the City of Hermosa Beach from providing plastic single-use carryout bags to customers for the purpose of carrying goods away from the point of sale. Retail establishments are encouraged to educate staff to promote reusable bags and to post signs encouraging customers to use reusable bags, and may provide incentives to customers to encourage the use of reusable bags.

When does the Ban go into effect?

The plastic bag ban will be carried out in two phases:

- Phase one went into effect on April 1, 2016 at all supermarkets and retail establishments of at least 10,000 square feet.
- Phase two of the ordinance will go into effect on **October 1, 2016** and affects **all remaining retailers.**

Helpful Hints on Collection Day

To guarantee that your trash and recycling bins are collected, place your containers at the curb or in the alley by 6 a.m. on your regular collection day.

Please make sure that your container is not placed in the street.

Containers placed in the street, often block parking locations and hinder street sweeping activities.

Myth: Landfills are more cost-effective and environmentally sound than recycling options.

Fact: Recycling programs, when designed properly, are cost-competitive with landfills and incinerators, and provide net pollution prevention benefits. Recycling materials not only avoids the pollution that would be generated through land filling and incinerating these, but also reduces the environmental burden of virgin materials extraction and manufacturing processes.

S.A.F.E. COLLECTION CENTERS

(Solvents/Automotive/Flammables/Electronics)

For Residents of the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles

For Information, Please Call:
1-800-773-CITY (2489)
www.lacitysan.org

IMPORTANT

- It is against the law to transport more than 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous wastes to collection sites.
- Pack your wastes properly to prevent tipping or spilling of wastes during transportation. Remove all other items from your trunk.
- Wastes will be collected with its containers.
- For data containing devices, remove data before disposal.
- Smoking is prohibited at all S.A.F.E. Centers.
- Remain in your vehicle while trained personnel remove the hazardous wastes from your trunk.
- Waste collection is suspended during rain.

WE ACCEPT

- Used motor oil and filters
- Paint and Solvents
- E-waste such as computers, cell phones and televisions
- Household cleaning products
- Car and household batteries
- Fluorescent tubes and bulbs
- Home generated Sharps such as needles and lancets
- Unused medicine (except controlled substances)

WE DO NOT ACCEPT

- Business/Commercial wastes
- Bulky items such as furniture and large appliances
- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Radioactive materials
- Medical/Biological wastes
- Tires
- Marine flares/firecrackers

CENTRAL LOS ANGELES
LA-GLENDALE SAFE CENTER
4800 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90039
Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

WEST LOS ANGELES
U.C.L.A. SAFE CENTER
950 Charles E. Young Dr. West, Los Angeles CA 90095
Thu, Fri & Sat 9a.m. - 3p.m.
E-waste is only collected Sat. at this location

PLAYA DEL REY
HYPERION SAFE CENTER
7900 West Imperial Highway, Gate B
Playa Del Rey CA 90223 / Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

HARBOR AREA
GAFFEY ST. SAFE CENTER
1400 N. Gaffey St., San Pedro, CA 90731
Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

EAST LOS ANGELES
WASHINGTON BLVD. SAFE CENTER
2649 E. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90021
Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

NORTH VALLEY
NICOLE BERNSON SAFE CENTER
10241 N. Balboa Blvd., Northridge CA 91352
Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

EAST VALLEY
RANDALL ST. SAFE CENTER
11025 Randall St., Sun Valley CA 91352
Sat & Sun 9a.m. - 3p.m.

