## Regulation 3511.1: Integrated Waste Management

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For all applicable areas of district operations, the Superintendent or designee shall design an integrated waste management program that minimizes the generation of waste, encourages the recovery and diversion of reusable materials from the waste stream, improves efficiency in the utilization of natural and material resources, and protects the environment. The program shall implement measures and/or practices to:

- 1. Reduce the consumption of disposable materials, increase the composting of organic materials, and fully utilize all materials prior to disposal
- 2. Recycle materials such as paper, glass, plastic, and aluminum
- 3. Prefer recycled, biodegradable, and other environmentally preferable products when procuring materials for use in district schools and buildings or contracting for the construction or modernization of any district building
- 4. Work with city, county, or other government agencies to locate markets for the district's reusable and recyclable materials
- 5. Minimize the use of nonbiodegradable materials and work with vendors and contractors to use packaging and delivery materials that generate less waste

## Recycling

Any school site or district facility which generates four or more cubic yards of solid waste per week shall take at least one of the following actions: (Public Resources Code 42649.1, 42649.2)

- Source separate recyclable materials from solid waste and subscribe to a basic level of recycling service that includes collection, self-hauling, or other arrangements for the pickup of the recyclable materials
- 2. Subscribe to a recycling service which may include mixed waste processing that yields diversion results comparable to source separation

Any school site or district facility which generates two or more cubic yards per week of solid waste, recyclables, and organics shall arrange for recycling services specifically for organic waste, including food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, nonhazardous wood waste, and food-soiled paper waste that is mixed in with food waste. Such facilities shall take at least one of the following actions: (Public Resources Code 42649.8, 42649.81-42649.82, 42649.84)

- 1. Source separate organic waste from other waste and subscribe to a basic level of organic waste recycling service that includes collection and recycling of organic waste
- 2. Recycle organic waste onsite or self-haul organic waste for recycling
- 3. Subscribe to an organic waste recycling service that may include mixed waste processing that specifically recycles organic waste

4. Make other arrangements to sell or donate recyclable organic waste materials

Any school site or district facility that meets the above thresholds for solid or organic waste shall place a recycling bin or container for solid or organic waste, as applicable, in areas where food or other materials are purchased at the facility for immediate consumption. The recycling bin or container shall be: (Public Resources Code 42649.2, 42649.81)

- 1. Adjacent to each bin or container for nonrecyclable trash, except in restrooms
- 2. Visible and easily accessible
- Clearly marked with educational signage indicating appropriate items to be placed in the recycling bin or container in accordance with state law and the local jurisdiction's waste ordinances and practices

## **Policy Reference Disclaimer:**

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

<b>State</b> Ed. Code 17070.96	<b>Description</b> Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996; consideration of high performance standards
Ed. Code 17072.35	New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools
Ed. Code 32370-32376	Recycling paper
Ed. Code 33541	Science requirements
Pub. Res. Code 41780-41786	Waste diversion
Pub. Res. Code 25410-25422	Energy conservation assistance
Pub. Res. Code 40050-40063	Integrated waste management act
Pub. Res. Code 42620-42622	Source reduction and recycling programs
Pub. Res. Code 42630-42647	Schoolsite source reduction and recycling assistance program
Pub. Res. Code 42649-42649.7	Recycling of commercial solid waste
Pub. Res. Code 42649.8-42649.87	Recycling of organic waste
Management Resources CA Dept. of Resources Recycling and Recovery Pub.	<b>Description</b> Where to Put It: Recycling, Composting, and Trash Bin Signage
CA Dept. of Resources Recycling and Recovery Pub.	Recycling and Organics Recycling Guide for Schools Poster
CA Dept. of Resources Recycling and Recovery Pub.	Frequently Asked Questions

Website <u>CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</u>

Website California Environmental Protection Agency

Website <u>California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery</u>

Website <u>California Division of State Architect</u>

Website <u>California Energy Commission</u>

Website <u>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</u>

Website <u>CSBA</u>

## **Cross References**

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Cross References	
<b>Code</b> 0100	Description Philosophy
1400	Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies And The Schools
3000	Concepts And Roles
3270	Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies
3270	Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies
3300	Expenditures And Purchases
3311	<u>Bids</u>
3311	<u>Bids</u>
3312	Contracts
3510	Green School Operations
3511	Energy And Water Management
3511	Energy And Water Management
3514	Environmental Safety
3514	Environmental Safety
3514.2	Integrated Pest Management
3517	Facilities Inspection
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4131	Staff Development
4231	Staff Development
4331	Staff Development

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