

American Flag

Do Riverside County Landfills accept this waste?

Yes

No
 (See Disposal Locations)

Conditionally
 (See Special Conditions)

Case by case
 (See Approval Process)

Are there other alternatives for this waste?

Yes
 (See Alternative Recycling Locations)

No

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Flag Education

Flag of the United States, popularly called the American flag, is the official national flag of the United States. It consists of 13 horizontal stripes, 7 red alternating with 6 white, and in the upper corner near the staff, a rectangular blue field, or canton, containing 50 five-pointed white stars. The stripes symbolize the 13 colonies that originally constituted the United States of America. The stars represent the 50 states of the Union. In the language of the Continental Congress, which defined the symbolic meanings of the colors red, white, and blue, as used in the flag. "White signifies Purity and Innocence; Red, Hardiness and Valor; and blue, Vigilance, Perseverance and Justice." Because of its stars, stripes, and colors, the American flag is frequently called the Star-Spangled banner, the Stars and Stripes, or the Red, White, and Blue. Another popular, patriotic designation, Old Glory, is of uncertain origin.

Disposal Locations

American Flags are a proud symbol of our country and deserve proper respect when they can no longer be displayed. For the proper method of disposal, please go to:

www.vfw.org and click on the "programs" link. From there, click on "Flag education". From there you will click on the "Flag Disposal" and follow the instructions.

Many Veterans of Foreign Wars posts also conduct ceremonies for flag retirement. To find a post near you, call 916-449-8850.

The Boy Scouts of America also conduct ceremonies for flag retirement. To find a troop in Riverside or San Bernardino County please see the following website. http://www.bsa-ciec.org/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=21

Internal Operating Procedures

A B C D E F G H Not applicable