



Additional Information and Resources in Sonoma County

The website www.zerowastesonoma.gov has local information and contains the Recycling Guide which is the premier source of information on all kinds of recycling in Sonoma County.

The Eco-Desk is not always staffed but messages can be left with recycling questions. The number is 565-DESK (565-3375). By selecting “2” at the opening menu, callers may connect to a bilingual operator who will answer questions in Spanish. During business hours, this Spanish line is usually answered by a live operator; messages will also be returned.

For questions involving used oil and filters in Sonoma County, contact Soluna Outreach Solutions (we are also the company that produces the Family Car lesson.) Call Hugo Mata, 877-240-2232 or hugo@solunaoutreachsolutions.com.

Sonoma County has over 50 drop-off locations for used oil and filters, located throughout the County. There is a complete list in the Recycling Guide (these pages are reproduced at the end of the student lesson book).

Almost all areas of the County also have curbside collection service available to customers who have individual trash service. The procedure is to call the hauler (number on trash bill, or check the Recycling Guide) and request an oil recycling kit, which consists of a jug and a ziplock filter bag. Place the tightly sealed jug and bag on the curb for pick-up on the regular trash day. Call the hauler the day before to let them know the oil will be on the curb.

Residents of multifamily housing that have bins instead of individual carts do not have curbside service. Also, in the unincorporated county, residents may choose not to have trash service but self-haul their waste and recycling to a transfer station or the Central Disposal Site. All of these locations offer recycling for used oil and filters.

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility is at the Central Disposal Site on Mecham Rd. near Petaluma. Hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30am-2:30pm. There are also small collection events held in different areas of the County during the year: check the Recycling Guide for the schedule.

There are many environmental organizations in Sonoma County with a wide variety of activities and missions. A good way to find out about a lot of them is through the Sonoma County Environmental Center. Their website www.envirocentersoco.org has links to other organizations (click on the “Groups” link on the home page.)