

CITY OF YREKA BUSINESS NEWSLETTER

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BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL/UPDATES

The City of Yreka's annual business licenses expires on December 31st. Business License renewal fees are due by January 1st, but do not become delinquent until April 1st. Please notify us if your business has closed so we can update the business license renewal list. If there are any changes to your business name, address, telephone numbers, or other information, an updated business license application is required. The business license applications are available on our website: <http://ci.yreka.ca.us>. Updated applications can be returned to the City in person, by mail to 701 Fourth Street, Yreka, CA 96097, fax (530) 842-4836 or email to kim@ci.yreka.ca.us.

IS YOUR BUSINESS ACCESS COMPLIANT UNDER FEDERAL ADA STANDARDS & CALIFORNIA LAW?

SB 1186 is a state fee of \$1.00 which is added to all business license renewals. This state fee supports the Certified Access Specialist (CASp) Program. A Certified Access Specialist (CASp) can help determine if your facility is access compliant.

With a CASp inspection, you get...

- A review by a professional who knows which accessibility standards apply to your facility.
- An action plan for changes needed for your facility to become compliant.
- Legal benefits that may reduce your financial liability in a lawsuit.

For more information and to find a CASp in your area, visit www.dgs.ca.gov/casp.

WATER EFFICIENCY

As you renew your business license for the year, this is a good time to think about ways to make your business more efficient. If your business has landscaping, you can save water and money by reducing unused turf and installing efficient irrigation as landscape uses about 60% of our water annually. Reducing your water usage also helps the City of Yreka meet our State mandated water use reduction goal. Here are some simple things you can do to reduce your water use.

1. Cool weather is a good time to make repairs and upgrades to your irrigation system when plants need less water and the system can be shut down without drying out the landscape. Turn on your irrigation system and observe each sprinkler head to make sure it is working properly with no overspray, breaks, leaks, obstructions, or runoff. Replace old pop-up spray and impact heads with the new adjustable rotating nozzles. Install drip in shrub and flower beds.
2. Visit the city of Yreka's website at www.ci.yreka.ca.us/utilities/waterefficiency to obtain the Lawn Watering Guide. Yreka is Zone 2 and rotating nozzles put out about one-half inch of water per hour. Remember! Never irrigate on a Monday as that is our peak demand day.
3. If you have unused turf, consider replacing all or part of it with low-water use plants. The website mentioned above also has an excellent plant list and ideas for beautiful, tough, low-water use landscapes. Drive around town to see what your neighbors and other businesses have done. If you need further assistance, please call the Water Efficiency Coordinator at (530) 841-2370.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BUSINESS RECYCLING

Why Recycle?

The benefits of recycling can help save your business money, reduce pollution, and conserve natural resources.

Siskiyou County Department of General Services staff will work with you to develop the best recycling plan for your business.



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For additional general information about recycling and waste reduction, visit the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) at www.calrecycle.ca.gov.



BUSINESS EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST FORM

Yreka Police Department is asking local business owners to complete a business emergency contact list form if you have not already done so. This contact information is used to contact a responsible person after business hours in case of an emergency. The business emergency contact list form can be located on our website: <http://ci.yreka.ca.us/city-government/police> under New Features and Helpful Information. Completed forms can be return to Yreka Police Department or Yreka City Hall.

MANDATORY COMMERCIAL RECYCLING (MCR) IMPLEMENTATION

Did you know that the State of California enacted a law effective July 1, 2012 requiring all businesses that generate 4 or more cubic yards of waste weekly to recycle.

- **Authority cited: Section 40502, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 42649.1, Public Resources Code.**
- **§18837. Mandatory recycling of commercial solid waste by businesses.**

(a) On and after July 1, 2012, a business shall take at least one of the following actions in order to reuse, recycle, compost, or otherwise divert commercial solid waste from disposal:

(1) Source separating recyclable and/or compostable materials from the solid waste they are discarding and either self-hauling, subscribing to a hauler, and/or otherwise arranging for the pick-up of the recyclable and/or compostable materials separately from the solid waste to divert them from disposal.

(2) Subscribing to a recycling service that may include mixed waste processing that yields diversion results comparable to source separation.

(b) To comply with §18837(a), property owners of commercial or multi-family complexes may require tenants to source separate their recyclable materials. Tenants must source separate their recyclable materials if required to by property owners of commercial or multi-family complexes.

Recycling may provide opportunities for your business to save money, as well as helping to conserve resources and extend the life of our waste facilities in Siskiyou County. If you have any questions, please call Arthur Boyd, Recycling/Grant Coordinator for Siskiyou County Department of General Services at (530) 842-8272.

A FEW QUICK TIPS FOR RECYCLING

- Position all recyclable containers in visible areas next to trash cans.
- Clearly mark all containers for recyclables (cardboard, cans, paper, etc.). Make signs bilingual or use graphics as needed.
- Educate employees and attendees on the where, what and whys of recycling.
- Require suppliers to reduce packaging or use reusable packaging which is returned to supplier.
- Share collection or processing equipment with nearby venues or events.
- Add mandatory recycling language into contracts or add a disposal fee with a rebate for those who recycle.
- Use volunteers or staff to monitor recycling and trash cans. Help attendees select the appropriate can for their waste.
- Target educational materials to your audience.

Please take the time to complete the enclosed Siskiyou County Recycling Survey and return to Siskiyou County Department of General Services, P.O. Box 1127, Yreka, CA 96097.