## OFF BASE RECYCLING

It's the Law! This is not like most of the United States where recycling is simply encouraged. Recycling is the law in Italy (and Europe for that matter) so it's not only required it's mandated and not complying may result in fines from a minimum of €50 to a maximum of €750. Remember, you now live in a country the size of Indiana so setting aside vast tracts of land for landfills is not a practical or environmentally sound solution.

Community Requirements: Each community has different recycling requirements—remember your procedures may differ from your colleagues even if you live in the same community.

Community Recycling Liaison: In an effort to enable and assist U.S. members in complying with requirements, Aviano AB has established a Community Recycling Liaison (DSN 632-2511 or commercial 0434-30-2511). This position is dedicated to acquiring, translating and providing quality, timely information from local communities to U.S. members and to help them successfully navigate the specific requirements of each community throughout their stay in Italy. In addition, this position is NOT located in the Housing Office, the office is located in Area C.

**Aviano Homepage:** To help you navigate requirements for through the community, have provided we extensive list of communities within the Aviano homepage. To access the information go to http://www.aviano.af.mil/ and click on the RECYCLING link then on the OFF BASE RECYCLING link.

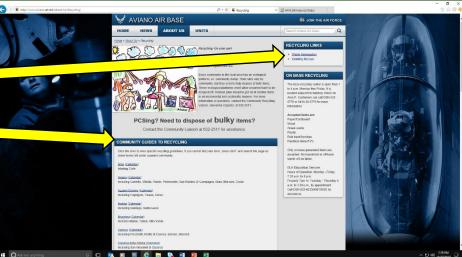
Once you click on that link the recycling homepage will open up as shown below. We'll go through the content of this



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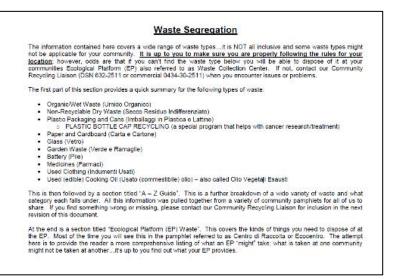
- Recycling [ Links
- Community Guides to Recycling

First. let's briefly address the Recycling links as supplemental information to the specifics of communities recycling program.



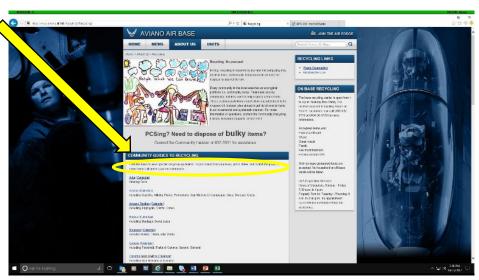
**Violating the Law:** Clicking on the "Violating the Law" link will provide you more detail about the law and ramifications for not following the rules. As it states, yes, the police can get involved with this matter if needed. It also addresses that if a community notifies our Liaison of a violator, that individual's commander will be informed of the problem for resolution.

Waste Segregation: Clicking on the "Waste Segregation" link will provide you a wide range of general waste types you may or may not deal with during your time in Italy. This information is not community specific (that is addressed below), rather, it provides a broad coverage of waste types that might not be clearly articulated within your community's information. Page 1 of this link (shown to the right) shows that 10 major categories of waste are addressed in this link as well as an "A-Z Guide" to help determine where certain types of



wastes are to be disposed of. Finally, there is also a section that provides general information about Ecological Platforms (also known as Waste Collection Centers). The waste collection center is a place dedicated to dispose of waste that cannot be picked up by the "door-to-door" service or waste that cannot be disposed of in the public street containers.

Community Guides to **Recycling:** Now let's address the specifics for each community. will use Aviano in the example below, but the same information applies to all the other communities. The graphic to the right only shows part of content in the webpage. when you get to the site you can scroll down to find many more communities. You

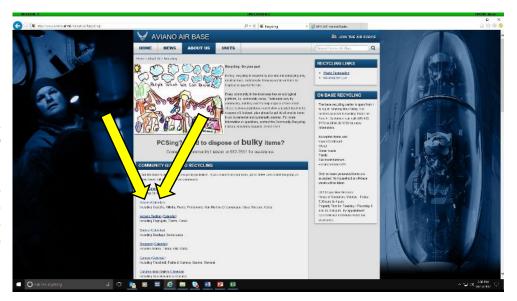


should note that for each parent community there are associated suburbs (towns) for that community. Therefore if you do not quickly see your community highlighted then you are most likely a town of some parent community. To quickly find the community that governs your town there is a shortcut shown in the circle above. It states, "If you cannot find your town, press ctrl+F and search the page as some towns fall under a parent community." When you press ctrl+F the Find feature pops up in the top left corner. Type in the town you are searching for and it will be highlighted within the page content. As an example, let's assume you live in Villorba. This does not show up as a blue, underlined community because it is not a parent community. In this case

you'll find that Villorba is a town associated with the parent community of Sacile. You would then use Sacile' information for this location.

So in the Aviano example, if you live in Castello, Villotta, Piante, Pedemonte, San Martino Di Campagna, Giais, Marsure, or Costa the Aviano info applies to you.

The arrows to the right are pointing to two hyperlinks: one is <u>Aviano</u> and the other is (Calendar).



The <u>Aviano</u> link will open up an English written document that addresses the community's calendar. It provides you details about the various waste types and their method of collection. For this community there are 2 separate zones for collection and it addresses how to determine which zone you live in. It goes on to explain how to use the Aviano calendar and on what date's you put out a specific waste type. There is information about various waste types and what constitutes that waste. In addition, it contains information about this community's Ecological Platform. Finally, it addresses procedures for "bulk" waste disposal. Again, this same type of information is available for all the communities in the webpage.

The <u>(Calendar)</u> link will open up the Aviano calendar. For some communities there will be an English translation for some of the material, in others the only translation is in the document address above. When combined with the <u>Aviano</u> link you can quickly determine what waste is disposed of and on what day that waste is collected.

Read the community document alongside of the community's calendar and you will quickly educate yourself on your community's requirements.

You can also use the Ambiente Servizi Waste Services App which is available for IOS, Android and Windows. It will provide disposal information too.