

## Plastic Trash Bag Manufacturer Certification

Reporting Period: January 1 through December 31, \_\_\_\_\_

California law requires you to certify to the Department of Resources Recycling & Recovery by March 1 of each year for the plastic trash bags intended for sale in California.

### Instructions

1. Please fill in the year for the reporting period in the title block above.
2. Please type or print legibly in ink.
3. If you did not manufacture regulated trash bags during the reporting period which were intended for sale in California, mark items 10a and 10b, sign and return the form.
4. If you produce your own Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material (RPPCM), complete section E.
5. Use N/A for items that do not apply.

### Definitions of Terms

**Plastic Trash Bag** - a bag that is manufactured for intended use as a container to hold, store, or transport materials to be discarded, composted, or recycled, including, but not limited to, garbage bags, composting bags, lawn and leaf bags, can-liner bags, kitchen bags, compactor bags, and recycling bags.

**Regulated Bag** - a plastic trash bag of 0.70 mil or greater thickness that is intended for sale in the state.

**APCM (Actual postconsumer material)** - weight of postconsumer material used in a feedstock to manufacture trash bags.

**RPPCM (Recycled plastic postconsumer material)** - a plastic feedstock which is used to manufacture trashbags which contain postconsumer material. RPPCM may contain any amount (1 - 100%) of postconsumer material; however, compliance will be determined based on the APCM content of the trash bag.

**Proximate Prior Usage of RPPCM** - the collected finished product from which the postconsumer material was derived prior to being processed into RPPCM for use in the regulated bag.

### Section A - Manufacturer Information

Please provide your company information below

(1) Company Name		(2) Date	
(3) Contact Person	(3a) E-Mail Address (Optional)	(4) Phone Number ( )	
(5) Mailing Address Of The Company Headquarters	(6) City	(7) State	(8) Zip Code
(9a) All <b>plastic trash bags</b> intended for sale in California contained an annual aggregate Actual Postconsumer Material (APCM) equal to at least 10% of the weight of <b>regulated bags</b> . TRUE FALSE			
(9b) All plastic products intended for sale in California contained an annual aggregate of 30% APCM. TRUE FALSE			
(10a) Company did not sell any plastic trash bags in California during the reporting period TRUE FALSE			
(10b) All the trash bags sold in California were non-regulated trash bags TRUE FALSE			
(10c) Circle each type of non-regulated trash bag sold in California: 1) Non-plastic bags 2) Medical waste bags 3) Hazardous waste bags 4) Less Than 0.70 mil in thickness			
(10d) Circle each applicable self-exemption: 1) RPPCM Quality 2) RPPCM Availability			

**Section B - Percent of Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material (RPPCM) Use**

**Complete either Section B1 or Section B2.** You are in compliance if either of the following is met:

- a) In Section B1 you showed that APCM used is 10% by weight of regulated bags; or,
- b) In Section B2 you showed that 30% of the materials used in all of your plastic products intended for sale in California is APCM

**Section B1- Claiming Compliance Based on Plastic Trash Bags Only**

<b>Section B1</b>	(11) Total number of plastic trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period	
	(12) Total tons of plastic trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period.	tons
	<b>Calculations for Total Tons of APCM Used</b>	
	<b>(13) California Source</b>	
	(13a) Tons of RPPCM purchased from California sources for use in the manufacture of plastic trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period	_____ tons
	(13b) Tons of actual postconsumer material (APCM) purchased from California sources	_____ tons
	Example: (a) 10 tons of 80% postconsumer content resin = 8 tons of APCM (b) 10 tons of 10% postconsumer content resin = 1 tons of APCM (c) Total actual postconsumer material= (a) + (b) = 9 tons of APCM	
	(13c) APCM credit for purchasing from California RPPCM sources (1.2 x Line 13b)	_____ tons
	<b>(14) Non-California Source</b>	
	(14a) Tons of APCM purchased from non-California sources and used to manufacture all plastic trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period.	_____ tons
(15) Total tons of APCM used in the manufacture of all plastic trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period (Line 13c + Line 14a)	tons	
(16) Total number of regulated trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period.		
(17) Total tons of regulated trash bags intended for sale in California during the reporting period.	tons	
(18) Compliance Percentage: APCM used to manufacture all plastic trash bags expressed as percent by weight of regulated bags (Line 15/Line17 x 100)	%	

**Section B2 - Claiming Compliance Based on All Plastic Products**

<b>Section B2</b>	(19) Total tons of materials used to manufacture all plastic products intended for sale in California during the reporting period.	tons
	<b>Calculations for Total Tons of APCM Used</b>	
	<b>(20) California Source</b>	
	(20a) Tons of RPPCM purchased from California sources for use in the manufacture of all plastic products intended for sale in California during the reporting period	_____ tons
	(20b) Tons of APCM purchased from California sources (See example above in 13b to convert RPPCM to APCM)	_____ tons
	(20c) APCM credit for purchasing from California RPPCM sources (1.2 x Line 20b)	_____ tons
	<b>(21) Non-California Source</b>	
	(21a) Tons of APCM purchased from non-California sources and used to manufacture all plastic products intended for sale in California during the reporting period.	_____ tons
	(22) Total tons of APCM used to manufacture all plastic products intended for sale in California during the reporting period. (Line 20c + Line 21a)	tons
	(23) Total tons of APCM used to comply with federal and other California RPPCM requirements (same as Line 27)	tons
(24) Total tons of APCM that can be counted for compliance with this Recycled Content Trash Bag requirement. (Line 22 minus Line 23)	tons	
(25) Percent APCM used to manufacture all plastic products. (Line 24/Line19x100)	%	

**Section C - Other Minimum Content Mandates**

Describe any other California or federal government recycled content use mandate(s) with which you are required to comply. Use additional sheets if necessary.

(26a) Mandate:	Tons of APCM used to comply:	tons
(26b) Mandate:	Tons of APCM used to comply	tons
(26c) Mandate:	Tons of APCM used to comply:	tons
(27) Total tons of APCM used to comply with other minimum content mandates		tons

**Section D - Manufacturer Production Locations**

For each physical address at which you manufactured regulated trash bags, list the number of regulated trash bags and the tons of regulated trash bags shipped. Use additional sheets if necessary.

(28a) Company Name	(29a) Contact Person	(30a) Phone Number	
(31a) Street Address	(32a) City	(33a) State	(34a) Zip Code
(35a) Tons of regulated bags shipped		(36a) Number of regulated bags shipped	
(28b) Company Name	(29b) Contact Person	(30b) Phone Number	
(31b) Street Address	(32b) City	(33b) State	(34b) Zip Code
(35b) Tons of regulated bags shipped		(36b) Number of regulated bags shipped	
(28c) Company Name	(29c) Contact Person	(30c) Phone Number	
(31c) Street Address	(32c) City	(33c) State	(34c) Zip Code
(35c) Tons of regulated bags shipped		(36c) Number of regulated bags shipped	
(28d) Company Name	(29d) Contact Person	(30d) Phone Number	
(31d) Street Address	(32d) City	(33d) State	(34d) Zip Code
(35d) Tons of regulated bags shipped		(36d) Number of regulated bags shipped	
(28e) Company Name	(29e) Contact Person	(30e) Phone Number ( )	
(31e) Street Address	(32e) City	(33e) State	(34e) Zip Code
(35e) Tons of regulated bags shipped		(36e) Number of regulated bags shipped	

**Section E - Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material Production Information**

Complete this section to list every location at which you produced RPPCM. Use additional sheets if necessary.  
If you did not produce RPPCM, mark N/A.

(37) Total tons of Recycled Postconsumer Material produced during the reporting period.					Tons
(38a) Company	(39a) Street Address	(40a) City	(41a) State	(42a) Zip Code	
(43a) Tons of RPPCM produced at this location Tons	(44a) APCM content of RPPCM Tons	(45a) Phone Number ( )			
(46a) Proximate prior usage of APCM:					

(38b) Company	(39b) Street Address	(40b) City	(41b) State	(42b) Zip Code
(43b) Tons of RPPCM produced at this location Tons	(44b) APCM content of RPPCM Tons	(45b) Phone Number ( )		
(46b) Proximate prior usage of APCM:				
(38c) Company	(39c) Street Address	(40c) City	(41c) State	(42c) Zip Code
(43c) Tons of RPCM produced at this location Tons	(44c) APCM content of RPPCM Tons	(45c) Phone Number ( )		
(46c) Proximate prior usage of APCM:				
(38d) Company	(39d) Street Address	(40d) City	(41d) State	(42d) Zip Code
(43d) Tons of RPCM produced at this location Tons	(44d) APCM content of RPPCM Tons	(45d) Phone Number ( )		
(46d) Proximate prior usage of APCM:				
<b>Section F - Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material Supplier Information</b>				
List every supplier from whom you purchased RPPCM. Use additional sheets if necessary.				
(47) Total tons of Recycled Postconsumer Material purchased during the reporting period.				Tons
(48a) Company	(49a) Street Address	(50a) City	(51a) State	(52a) Zip Code
(53a) Contact Person	(54a) Phone Number	(55a) Tons of RPPCM purchased from supplier listed in (48a) Tons		
(56a) APCM content of the RPPCM %	(57a) Proximate prior usage of the RPPCM.			
(48b) Company	(49b) Street Address	(50b) City	(51b) State	(52b) Zip Code
(53b) Contact Person	(54b) Phone Number	(55b) Tons of RPPCM purchased from supplier listed in (48b) Tons		
(56b) APCM content of the RPPCM %	(57b) Proximate prior usage of the RPPCM.			
(48c) Company	(49c) Street Address	(50c) City	(51c) State	(52c) Zip Code
(53c) Contact Person	(54c) Phone Number	(55c) Tons of RPPCM purchased from supplier listed in (48c) Tons		
(56c) APCM content of the RPPCM %	(57c) Proximate prior usage of the RPPCM.			
<b>Section G - Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material Customer Information</b>				
Complete this section to list every customer to whom you sold RPPCM. Use additional sheets if necessary. If you did not sell RPPCM, mark N/A.				
(58) Total tons of Recycled Plastic Postconsumer Material sold during the reporting period.				Tons
(59a) Company	(60a) Street Address	(61a) City	(62a) State	(63a) Zip Code
(64a) Contact Person	(65a) Phone ( )			
(59b) Company	(60b) Street Address	(61b) City	(62b) State	(63b) Zip Code
(64b) Contact Person	(65b) Phone ( )			
(59c) Company	(60c) Street Address	(61c) City	(62c) State	(63c) Zip Code
(64c) Contact Person	(65c) Phone ( )			

**Section H - Certification Instructions**

Certification: Only the following persons are authorized to sign this form.

- \* Corporation: By a responsible corporate officer or manager authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of reporting facility.
- \* Partnership or sole proprietorship: The general partner or proprietor.
- \* Government agency: By either the principal executive officer or a designated elected official who is authorized to obligate the entity for purposes of this certification.

**I certify under penalty of perjury that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision, that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information provided is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false or misleading information in this certification, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment, or both for violations.**

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Signature Of Individual Authorized To Sign

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Title Of Authorized Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Or Printed Name Of Authorized Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

Return the completed and signed form to:

Email: plasticbag@calrecycle.ca.gov  
Fax: (916) 319-7694  
Department of Resources Recycling & Recovery  
Attn: Plastic Trash Bag Certification Program  
1001 I Street  
P. O. Box 4025  
Sacramento, CA 95812-4025  
(916) 341-6407

Certification Control # \_\_\_\_\_

**Official Use Only**

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Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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