

January 12, 2026

To: Beverage Manufacturers of Plastic Beverage Containers, Plastic Material Reclaimers, and Manufacturers of Postconsumer Recycled Plastic

RE: 2025 Plastic Minimum Content Standards Reporting Due March 1, 2026

Pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 14549.3, and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Division 2, Chapter 5 (Regulations), Sections 2240(b), 2285, and 2295, Beverage Manufacturers, Manufacturers of Postconsumer Recycled Plastic, and Plastic Material Reclaimers are required to report annually to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) the plastic minimum content standards information as specified in PRC and CCR.

Reports covering the 2025 reporting period are due March 1, 2026.

A brief description of the reporting requirements and link to each reporting form are provided below.

Beverage Manufacturers of Plastic Beverage Containers that bottle, can, or otherwise fill plastic beverage containers or import filled plastic beverage containers subject to CRV for sale to distributors, dealers, or consumers are required to report the amount in pounds and by resin type of virgin plastic and postconsumer recycled plastic used by the manufacturer in plastic beverage containers for sale in the state in the previous calendar year. (PRC section 14549.3(a); Regulations section 2240(b)). [CalRecycle 251 Form](#)

Senate Bill (SB) 551, signed into law on September 29, 2024, and codified at PRC section 14549.9, allows beverage manufacturers who share rights to the same brands or the products that are distributed, marketed, or manufactured by a single reporting beverage manufacturer to submit a consolidated report with aggregated information in lieu of individual reports. [CalRecycle 254 Form](#)

Plastic Material Reclaimers are required to report the amount of empty plastic beverage containers subject to the CRV collected and sold, by resin type and in pounds, and the amount of empty plastic containers sold or transferred in the state to a manufacturer for beverage processing of postconsumer recycled plastic for beverage processing, by resin type and in pounds. (PRC section 14549.3(b); Regulations section 2285). [CalRecycle 252 Form](#)

Manufacturers of Postconsumer Recycled Plastic are required to report the amount in pounds of food-grade flake, pellet, sheet, fines, or other forms that were sold in the previous calendar year and their capacity to produce food-grade material. This report shall include the amount of food-grade plastic material offered for sale and sold that meets beverage manufacturer specification for bottle-grade material. (PRC section 14549.3(c); Regulations section 2295). [CalRecycle 253 Form](#)

Reports may be submitted to CalRecycle by email to MarketInformation@CalRecycle.ca.gov or by mail to Statistical Information Section, Division of Recycling, Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, P.O. Box 4025, Sacramento, California, 95812-4025.

To receive updates, including notices regarding workshops and rulemaking, subscribe to the [Beverage Container Recycling Program General Listserv](#).

For more information on these requirements and FAQs, please visit the following webpages:

Beverage Manufacturers of Plastic Beverage Containers:
[Plastic Minimum Content Standards and Reporting \(AB 793\) - CalRecycle Home Page](#)

Plastic Material Reclaimers:
[Plastic Minimum Content Standards and Reporting \(AB 793\) - CalRecycle Home Page](#)

Manufacturers of Postconsumer Recycled (PCR) Plastic:
[Manufacturer of Postconsumer Recycled \(PCR\) Plastic Reporting Requirements - CalRecycle Home Page](#)

General Information:
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