

Rigid Plastic Packaging Container (RPPC) - Product Manufacturer Compliance Certification
Source Reduction - Comparison to Similar Products Compliance Option

Certification Measurement Period (Year): (January 1 through December 31)

When CalRecycle notifies a Product Manufacturer to certify compliance, the following sections of Title 14 California Code of Regulations(14CCR) must be followed:

Compliance Certification: [14CCR Section 17945.2](#)

Product Manufacturer Certification Information: [14CCR Section 17945.3](#) (information in this section is required to be reported and is included herein)

This model template is designed to help Product Manufacturers provide the required information. This tool is not mandated.

If this template is used, please fill out and sign this page, and complete the additional datasheet.

For more information about the RPPC Law and requirements for Product Manufacturers, see: [Public Resources Code Sections 42300 et seq.](#) and [14CCR Section 17943 et seq.](#)

A. Product Manufacturer - Company Contact Information ([14CCR Section 17945.3\(b\)\(1\)](#))

The following information is specific to the Product Manufacturer who is submitting the Compliance Certification

***Required**

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***Name of Product Manufacturer** (and DBA) ***Web Address** (If available)

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***Mailing Address** ***City** ***State** ***ZIP/Postal Code** **Country**

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Physical Address Same as Mailing Address City State ZIP/Postal Code Country

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***Primary Contact** ***Title** ***Phone Number** ***Email Address**

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Secondary Contact Title Phone Number Email Address

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Is Your Company a Subsidiary? (Y/N) Name of Parent Company

B. Statement of Compliance* ([14CCR Section 17945.3\(b\)\(2\)](#))

Provide a statement of Product Manufacturer compliance including whether the Product Manufacturer sold or offered for sale products held in rigid plastic packaging containers into California, and whether some or all of the products were approved for a waiver pursuant to Section 17946, and whether some or all of the containers qualified for an exemption pursuant to Section 17946.5.

C. Signature of Authorized Product Manufacturer Representative* ([14CCR Section 17945.3\(b\)\(3\)](#))

If the Product Manufacturer is a corporation, the certification must be signed under penalty of perjury by the president or other head of the corporation, a vice president, a secretary or assistant secretary, a treasurer, a general manager, or other such person authorized by the corporation to accept service of process. If the Product Manufacturer is a partnership or sole proprietorship, the certification must be signed by a general partner or the sole proprietor. The certification shall include the following statement, the title of the signatory and the date of signature.

"I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing information and all supporting data provided is accurate, true and complete."

***Signature** (you may also print and sign by hand)

Typed or Printed Name of Signatory

***Title of Signatory**

Phone Number

***Date of Signature**

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1. Please print and hand-sign the "Signatory Sheet"
2. Scan your signed "Signatory Sheet" and save it as an image (e.g., .jpg, .png)
3. Select Insert > Pictures and paste your image in the space below (optional)



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14CCR Section 17945.3 Product Manufacturer Certification Information

(a) When notified by the Department to certify compliance, a product manufacturer shall include in its certification the information listed in subsections (b) through (d), and if applicable, (e), of this Section.

(b) General Product Manufacturer Information

(1) The product manufacturer's name, mailing address, web address (if available), e-mail and telephone number(s), and the name and title of the person responsible for supplying the required information.;

(2) A statement of product manufacturer compliance including whether the product manufacturer sold or offered for sale products held in rigid plastic packaging containers into California, and whether some or all of the products were approved for a waiver pursuant to Section 17946, and whether some or all of the containers qualified for an exemption pursuant to Section 17946.5.

(3) If the product manufacturer is a corporation, the certification must be signed under penalty of perjury by the president or other head of the corporation, a vice president, a secretary or assistant secretary, a treasurer, a general manager, or other such person authorized by the corporation to accept service of process. If the product manufacturer is a partnership or sole proprietorship, the certification must be signed by a general partner or the sole proprietor. The certification shall include the following statement, the title of the signatory and the date of signature.

"I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing information and all supporting data provided is accurate, true and complete."

(c) Container Information

For each container line (whether or not it was included in a prior certification cycle)

(1) A description of the type of each rigid plastic packaging container (i.e., jar, bottle, clamshell, etc.).

(2) The associated product(s) or advertised brand name(s).

(3) The volume or equivalent capacity of each rigid plastic packaging container.

(A) The capacity or size must be expressed in the same unit of volume that is used on the container label; and

(B) For products that are sold based on weight or a numeric count, the size should be reported on an equivalent volume basis.

(4) The weight, in grams, of each individual rigid plastic packaging container.

(5) The plastic resin type(s) of each rigid plastic packaging container.

(6) The total quantity of rigid plastic packaging containers sold during the measurement period. This data should include:

(A) Direct sales by the product manufacturer;

(B) Sales through distributors, franchises, dealers, and agents;

(C) All mail-order and Internet sales; and

(D) A statement as to whether the data is based on sales in California or nationally.

(7) The associated container manufacturer and a copy of any container manufacturer certification(s) and information pursuant to Section 17945.4. The product manufacturer is responsible for ensuring that its report is consistent with any container manufacturer certification obtained.

(d) Product Manufacturer Certification Requirements for Each Compliance Option

In addition to the information in subsection (c) of this Section, a product manufacturer shall submit the following information specific to the container compliance option(s) claimed:

(5) Source Reduction – Comparison to Similar Products Compliance

For rigid plastic packaging containers where compliance is claimed pursuant to Section 17944(a)(4) through a comparison to similar products in similar rigid plastic packaging containers:

(A) The advertised brand name(s) of the product(s) in the similar rigid plastic packaging container(s), and the name(s) of the primary product manufacturer, distributor, or importer on the label(s) of the similar rigid plastic packaging container(s);

(B) The weight, in grams, and the volume of each similar rigid plastic packaging containers; and

(C) Any physical samples and/or photograph(s) of the similar rigid plastic packaging container(s) and label(s) which clearly show(s) the name(s) of the product(s), if requested by the Department to verify compliance.

Calculations and Formulas

[14CCR Section 17945.5](#)

Violations and Penalties

[14CCR Section 17949](#)

Definitions

[14CCR Section 17943](#)

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14CCR Section 17943 Definitions

(c) "Container Line" means: a group of rigid plastic packaging containers manufactured with identical plastic resin(s), layers, style, shape, volume and weight.

(ac) "Similar Rigid Plastic Packaging Containers" means: rigid plastic packaging containers that are alike in material type, shape, and volume.

(af) "Source Reduced Container" means:

(1) A rigid plastic packaging container whose container weight per unit or per number of product uses has been reduced by 10 percent when compared with one of the following:

(A) The rigid plastic packaging container used for the product by the product manufacturer as of January 1, 1995.

(B) The rigid plastic packaging container used for the product by the product manufacturer over the course of the product's first full year of commerce in California.

(C) The rigid plastic packaging container used in commerce during the same year for similar products in similar rigid plastic packaging containers by the product manufacturer or other product manufacturers that are held by "particular type rigid plastic packaging containers," as defined in this Article, whose containers have not been considered source reduced.

(2) A rigid plastic packaging container is not a source reduced container for the purposes of this Article if the reduction was achieved by any of the following:

(A) Substituting a different material type for a material that previously constituted the principle material of the

(B) Increasing a container's weight per unit or per number of product uses after January 1, 1991.

(C) Packaging changes that adversely affect the potential for the rigid plastic packaging container to be recycled or to be made of postconsumer material. The Department may review any information provided by the product manufacturer, as well as other available information, to determine if the packaging change adversely affects the potential for the rigid plastic packaging container to be recycled or to be made of postconsumer material.

(3) Any source reduction achieved by changing the rigid plastic packaging container to a non-rigid plastic container may be credited to other containers as part of the averaging method of compliance described in Section 17944(b).

(4) If a rigid plastic packaging container for a specific product is entirely eliminated and that product is sold in California without any packaging, the source reduction may be credited to other regulated containers used by the product manufacturer as part of the averaging method of compliance described in Section 17944(b).