

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY

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ATTENTION ALL CRV CUSTOMERS!

CHANGE TO THE DAILY LOAD LIMITS ALLOWED TO BE REDEEMED AT CERTIFIED RECYCLING CENTERS BY CONSUMERS

Effective January 1, 2014 certified recycling centers in California are restricted by law from receiving loads of CRV empty beverage containers, and paying CRV to any person, operation or entity who is not certified by CalRecycle, Division of Recycling (Division) and who is delivering a load of material in excess of 100 pounds of aluminum or plastic beverage containers, or 1,000 pounds of glass beverage containers, per day. It is also a violation of the law for a recycling center to split loads in excess of the daily load limits into multiple transactions, or accept in any one day an aggregate total of material in excess of the daily load limits.

For the vast majority of California consumers this change to the daily load limits will have no impact. But if you tend to save up your CRV empty beverage containers then redeem them as a single load at a certified recycling center, you will be restricted from delivering loads, and receiving CRV, if you deliver loads in excess of the new daily load limits.

If you operate a business which collects CRV empty beverage containers from bars, restaurants and/or other businesses where CRV empty beverage containers are consumed you will be restricted from redeeming the materials you collect if the load you deliver exceeds the revised daily load limits. Individuals and/or entities engaged in this sort of collection should be certified with the Division as a Dropoff or Collection Program.

If you have an organization which uses CA CRV beverage container redemption as a fund raising mechanism, you will be restricted from redeeming the CRV empty beverage containers you collect if the load you deliver to a certified recycling center exceeds the revised daily load limit. Individuals and/or entities that collect large quantities of CA CRV beverage containers for fundraising should be certified with the Division as a Community Service Program.

Fortunately, the process for becoming certified as a Dropoff or Collection Program, or a Community Service Program is simple and easy and the recordkeeping requirements are minimal. Best of all, once certified with CalRecycle's Division of Recycling, you or your organization will not be subject to the daily load limits! There is no restriction on the total weight of material or the frequency of delivery once you are certified with the Division.

If you would like to submit an application to become certified as a Dropoff or Collection Program, or a Community Service Program, you can obtain an application at http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BevContainer/Forms/CertAppDrop.pdf.

If you questions about becoming certified, please contact the Certification Unit at (916) 324-8598.