C R V Only. It's the Law.

State law requires recycling centers to pay California Redemption Value (CRV) refunds for loads that contain ONLY eligible CRV beverage containers.

Non-CRV materials must be removed from the load or, at the discretion of the recycling center, the load may be rejected or receive only scrap value.

Customers may still request to be paid by count for up to 50 CRV beverage containers of each material type: 50 glass, 50 aluminum, 50 plastic in one day.

Eligible

for California Redemption Value (CRV): Soda, Water, Beer

- Beer and malt beverages
- Wine coolers and distilled spirit coolers
- Carbonated fruit drinks, water or soft drinks
- Noncarbonated fruit drinks, water or soft drinks
- Coffee and tea beverages
- Vegetable juice 16 oz. or less
- Sports drinks

Not Eligible

for California Redemption Value (CRV):

- Milk
- Medical Food
- Infant Formula
- Wine
- Spirits
- 100% Fruit juice 46 oz. or more
- 100% Vegetable juice over 16 oz.
- Food and other non-beverage containers

When in Doubt

check the label on the container:

- Top of aluminum cans
- Sides of plastic and glass containers

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