

DRAFT PAYMENT OF CALIFORNIA REFUND VALUE
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California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 2500(e) (2), requires recycling centers to post the following refund prices by weight or by container and by material type.

Table 1. ALL RECYCLING CENTERS		
Material Type	(A) Containers Per Segregated Pound	(B) Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	29.1	\$1.59
Glass	1.89	\$0.104
#1 PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate)	20.2	\$1.16
#2 HDPE (High Density Polyethylene)	7.3	\$0.59
#3 PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride)	11.2	\$0.56
#4 LDPE (Low Density Polyethylene)	40.6	\$2.03
#5 PP (Polypropylene)	8.8	\$0.60
#6 PS (Polystyrene)	113.8	\$5.69
#7 Other	3.1	\$0.31
Bimetal	7	\$0.35

Table 2. REVERSE VENDING MACHINES ONLY*			
Material Type	(A) Containers Per Segregated Pound	(B) Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	(C) Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	30	\$1.58	\$1.59
Glass	2.07	\$0.108	\$0.109
PET Plastic	23.1	\$1.28	\$1.31
HDPE Plastic	16.9	\$0.97	\$1.04

Table 3. CURBSIDE PROGRAMS ONLY			
Material Type	(A) Containers Per Segregated Pound	(B) Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	(C) Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	30.7	\$1.44	\$1.58
Glass	1.96	\$0.040	\$0.105
PET Plastic	15.88	\$0.58	\$1.01
HDPE Plastic	5.18	\$0.05	\$0.48

Table 4. COLLECTION PROGRAMS ONLY			
Material Type	(A) Containers Per Segregated Pound	(B) Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	(C) Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	28.7	\$1.39	\$1.50
Glass	1.92	\$0.050	\$0.104
PET Plastic	15.7	\$0.63	\$1.00
HDPE Plastic	5.3	\$0.05	\$0.50

Table 5. COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS ONLY			
Material Type	(A) Containers Per Segregated Pound	(B) Refund Value Per Commingled Pound	(C) Refund Value Per Segregated Pound
Aluminum	29.3	\$1.52	\$1.53
Glass	2.05	\$0.056	\$0.107
PET Plastic	15	\$0.77	\$0.95
HDPE Plastic	7.4	\$0.10	\$0.61

* For machines intake volumes only.

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Note: The containers that produce the Containers per Segregated Pound (CPP) in column (A) vary in size. The refund value is \$0.05 for some containers (<24 oz.) and \$0.10 for others (≥24 oz.). Therefore, one cannot simply multiply the CPP average by either refund value to get the Refund Value per Segregated Pound rates, column (B).