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Company or individual that receives used carpet, you must comply with regulatory requirements.

For assistance, find the local enforcement agency by jurisdiction at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/Directory>

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For further information go to:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/carpet

For regulatory information go to:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Regulations/Title14>

For CalRecycle Permitting & Assistance Staff contacts go to:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/CountyAssign.asp>

For more information regarding disposal reporting requirements go to:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/lgcentral/drs

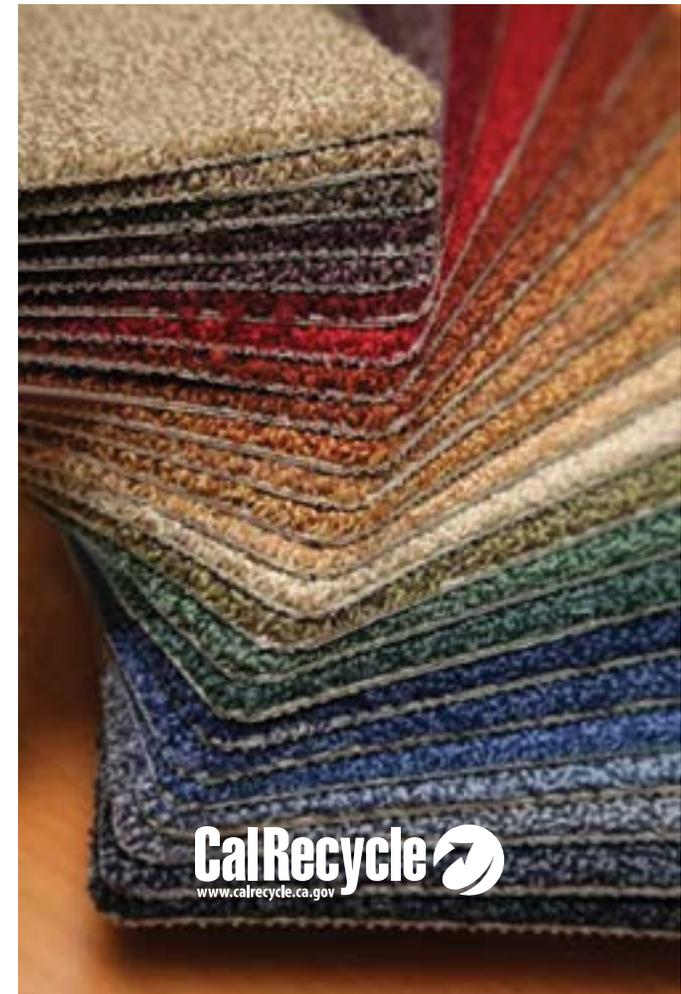
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California's Carpet Recycling Operations

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Introduction

The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is responsible for ensuring solid waste is diverted from landfills and for regulating solid waste handling and disposal in California. Used carpet is considered solid waste. CalRecycle encourages recycling and reuse of carpet that may otherwise be disposed. However, to ensure that used carpet is handled in a manner that is protective of public health, safety, and the environment, CalRecycle requires used carpet handlers to meet solid waste handling permit and regulatory requirements.

Regulatory Requirements

A company or individual that receives used carpet is subject to California's solid waste regulatory requirements found in Title 14, California Code of Regulations (14 CCR). These requirements are directly enforced by State-certified Local Enforcement Agencies (LEA/EA). The LEA in your city or county can be found at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/Directory/>.

Anyone planning to receive used carpet must check with the LEA to determine what requirements apply.

California's regulations define "Construction and Demolition Debris" as material generated from construction work that involves construction, remodeling, repair, demolition, or deconstruction of buildings. Carpeting and floor covering are listed as a type of material covered by this definition. See 14CCR Section 17381(e).

A solid waste facility permit is required for most used carpet handling activities. However, there may be some carpet handling activities, as determined by the LEA, that may be excluded or operate under a lower regulatory tier that may not require a permit. Contact your LEA to determine if a permit is required prior to receiving used carpet and beginning operations.

Definitions

Title 14, Natural Resources – Division 7. Chapter 3. Minimum Standards for Solid Waste Handling & Disposal. Article 5.9. Construction and Demolition and Inert Debris Transfer/ Processing Regulatory Requirements.

Section 17381. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Article, the following definitions shall apply. Additional definitions and related provisions that apply to this Article are found in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Division 7, Chapter 3.0, Article 6.0, sections 17402 and 17402.5, and Article 4, section 17225 et seq.

(e) "Construction and Demolition Debris," or "C&D Debris" is solid waste that is a portion of the waste stream defined as "construction and demolition wastes," as defined in Section 17225.15 of Article 4 of this Chapter, and means source separated or separated for reuse solid waste and recyclable materials, including commingled and separated materials, that result from construction work, that are not hazardous, as defined in CCR, Title 22, section 66261.3 et seq., and that contain no more than 1% putrescible wastes by volume calculated on a monthly basis and the putrescible wastes do not constitute a nuisance, as determined by the EA.