



## DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY

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### NOTICE

**DATE:** December 19, 2013  
**TO:** All Certified Recycling Centers & Certified Processors  
**SUBJECT:** Revised Regulations - Daily Load Limits & 250 Pound Aluminum Reporting

On December 18, 2013, the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) received official notification from the Office of Administrative Law approving the Division of Recycling's (Division) proposed regulations to revise the daily load limits that a recycler can receive on a daily basis.

Effective January 1, 2014, in accordance with the revisions to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (14CCR), Section 2535(f), a certified recycler shall not pay refund value to, or claim refund value for any material received from any person, operation or entity who is not certified by the Division, 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. Also, as a result of the reduction to the daily load limits, the Division eliminated the 14CCR, Section 2530(i) requirement to report transactions in excess of 250 pounds of aluminum. The elimination of the over 250 pound reporting requirement is also effective as of January 1, 2014. However, certified recyclers must report all information required by 14CCR Section 2525(a) 1-7 to the Division weekly for all aluminum transactions of more than 250 pounds which occurred on or before December 31, 2013.

Please remember, it is a violation of 14CCR, Section 2535(f)(1) for a recycling center to split loads in excess of the daily load limits, or accept during any one day and aggregate total of empty beverage container material in excess of the daily load limits from any person not certified by the Division. Certified recyclers who purchase loads of material in excess of the revised daily load limits from any person, operation or entity not certified by the Division, and/or who split loads to circumvent the daily load limits may be subject to assessment of civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation and/or revocation of certification. If a person (individual, corporation, operation, or other entity, regardless of its form) attempts to redeem a load of material in excess of the revised daily load limits, a certified recycler may only pay scrap value for the entire load. It is a violation to pay CRV on any portion of the load.

Certified recyclers who are currently receiving loads of beverage containers in excess of the revised daily load limits from any person, operation or entity should immediately recommend that their respective customers submit an application to become certified as a Dropoff or Collection Program, or Community Service Program. Certified and operational Dropoff or Collection Programs, or Community Service Programs can deliver loads of beverage container materials in excess of the daily load limits to any

certified recycling center. The recycling center is required to prepare and submit a shipping report documenting each delivery of materials and is required to pay refund value based upon the applicable CRV reimbursement rates for those certified entities. For your convenience, the Division has developed the enclosed flier for you to photocopy and distribute to your respective customers. The flier outlines the regulatory changes to the daily load limits and also provides information on how to become certified as a Dropoff or Collection, or Community Service Program and Division contacts.

If you have any questions regarding enforcement of the revised daily load limit regulations, please contact either Ben Shelton, Senior Management Auditor, at (916) 324-1975 if you are located in Northern California, or, Alex Hernandez, Senior Management Auditor, at (951) 782-4121 if you are in Southern California.

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