

E-Waste Collector Information for 2018

A new E-cycles Program Year...#7 (January 1st to December 31st 2018).

Here are some reminders and updates for 2018 on the E-Cycles Program.

PROCEDURE FOR THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND MANAGEMENT OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES **(Procedure)**

The new Procedure was signed in September. For a copy of the new procedure go to: <http://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/wmp/SolidWaste/Documents/Adopted-Procedure-for-Environmentally-Sound-Management-of-Electronic-Waste.pdf>

TRAININGS

The contractor and ANR will be partnering this year on regional training. These training will include E-cycles training PLUS information on the other four manufacturer-funded collection programs including: information on the proper management of mercury lamps (fluorescent bulbs), mercury-containing thermostats, mercury switch removal from appliances, proper handling of household batteries through the Battery Program, and Proper Management of materials collected through the Paint Program.

Other training opportunities for administrative staff in registration, reporting, or requesting a bill of lading on-line can also be offered if there is interest, please let us know. Lynn Rubinstein from NERC (Northeast Recycling Council) will be scheduling trainings across the state after the first of the year. If your facility would like to host a training or is interested in a specific type of training please contact Lynn by email at lynn@nerc.org. Some individual facility trainings may also be available. Watch for notices of the trainings. We encourage facilities to include as many staff as possible at upcoming trainings to fulfill your training requirement as required in the Procedure.

RELEASE PLAN

Every facility must have a release plan on site so attendants know the process in the event of breakage, spill, or emergency. For a template, go to: #6 - <http://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/solid/product-stewardship/electronics#documents>

REGISTRATIONS

Registrations are good for five years but MUST be kept current and updated for such things as contact information, hours the facility is open, and current capacity. We encourage all collectors to check your registrations for accuracy. Any questions or how to check your registration or to update registrations contact Karen Knaebel (karen.knaebel@vermont.gov) or call [802-522-5736](tel:802-522-5736).

ReTRAC REPORTING

The deadline for reporting through the on-line state reporting system (ReTRAC) is **January 31, 2018**. For facilities participating in the State Standard Program Jason Linnell from NCER (National Center for Electronics Recycling) will be providing your end-of-year reporting numbers for each facility and event. Your facility should receive those reports by weight mid-January 2018 for facilities operating within the State Standard Program (SSP). Any questions relating to your SSP reports, contact Jason at jlinnell@electronicsrecycling.org. If a facility has pulled electronics for domestic (inside the US) or Canadian reuse, those numbers must be reported by weight, number of devices, or total by device type. Collectors operating outside of the SSP should obtain the weight of pounds collected in 2017 of banned electronic devices. Any questions on reporting requirements or how to log in to the ReTRAC system to report should be directed to Becky Webber (Rebecca.Webber@vermont.gov) or call [802-522-3658](tel:802-522-3658).

SITE INSPECTIONS

This coming year, the E-cycles program will continue to conduct random un-announced compliance visits to check for compliance with the Procedure. Along with management standards, the facility must also be able to demonstrate the space that has been allocated for the collection of JUST covered electronic waste and that number must match the capacity identified in your on-line collector registration.

COLLECTOR REGISTRATION CAPACITY (i.e., at least 2 gaylords, at least 4 gaylords, at least 6 gaylords, at least 8 gaylords) is the amount of actual SPACE that the facility has ALLOCATED for the collection of ELECTRONIC WASTE (computers, monitors, televisions, printers, and computer peripherals) and determines

the price per pound of compensation paid to the facility. If your facility is collecting more or less than the amount of gaylords on your registration or has decided to separate or not separate covered electronics, please correct your registration immediately and let the contractor know you have done so.

COLLECTOR COMPENSATION for covered electronic waste (i.e., computers, monitors, printers, televisions, and computer peripherals-Labeled as "Covered Electronic Waste") is ONLY to be paid if the facility keeps covered electronic waste separate from ALL OTHER WASTE. Note: Covered electronic waste does NOT have to be sorted by device type- just separated from all other banned electronics (waste such as VCRs, stereos, telephones, etc.) and these other banned electronics would be labeled "Non-covered Electronic Waste"

COVERED ELECTRONIC WASTE vs. NON-COVERED ELECTRONIC WASTE

COVERED ELECTRONIC WASTE

Computers, monitors, printers, televisions, any device with a cathode ray tube, or computer peripherals collected from a covered entity. As defined in law: "Covered entity" means any household, charity, or school district in the State; or a business in the State that employs 10 or fewer individuals. If seven or fewer covered electronic devices are delivered to a collector at any given time, those devices shall be presumed to be from a covered entity.

1. No Limit – no charge- computers, monitors, printers, televisions, and computer peripherals from covered entities
2. The facility is compensated based on the allocated space identified in their registration for just covered devices from covered entities separated from all other waste.
3. Seven or fewer covered devices - The facility does not have the burden to prove these seven devices are from a covered entity and must accept them at no charge when delivered no more than 7 per day. However, if the facility knows these devices are from a large business or organization such as a hospital, college, government, or other (for example by labeling on the device or marked transport vehicle) , the facility must identify the devices as non-covered and may charge for the collection to cover their costs.

NON-COVERED ELECTRONIC WASTE

1. Computers, monitors, printers, televisions, and computer peripherals from non-covered entities (such as businesses with more than 10 employees, colleges, hospitals, etc.).
2. All other banned electronics: Personal electronics (such as personal digital assistants and personal music players), all telephones and fax machines, videocassette recorders (VCRs), digital versatile disc (DVD) players, digital converter boxes, stereo equipment, power supply cords (used to charge electronic devices), and electronic game consoles.
3. Non-covered devices must be separated from covered electronic waste from covered entities.
4. The facility can charge the customer for these devices at a rate determined by the facility.

LABELS, LABELS, LABELS – Containers, pallets, single devices, broken devices all must be labeled. **Need clarification? Call Karen at [802-522-5736](tel:802-522-5736)**