**Oregon Department of Environmental Quality** 



# Modernizing Oregon E-Cycles: What Will House Bill 3220 (2023) Change for Manufacturers?

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The Oregon E-Cycles Program, one of the nation's first statewide electronics recycling programs, will be undergoing changes to ensure its success for years to come. Under House Bill 3220 (2023), the modernized Oregon E-Cycles program will launch Jan. 1, 2026. The new electronics recycling law, HB 3220, increases both the types of accepted covered electronic devices as well as the minimum number of collection sites required under the Program by statute. The new law also streamlines program administration.

Operating on an annual cycle, Oregon E-Cycles will continue to require manufacturers to register, fund and participate in a program that collects, transports and processes covered electronic devices from Oregon households and other covered entities. The table below describes what will change, and what will stay the same, under the new law for manufacturers of covered electronic devices. This table is not exhaustive and should be used for guidance purposes only; manufacturers are responsible for all requirements in statute and administrative rule.

# **Current E-Cycles Law**

## **New 2026 E-Cycles Law**

## Which manufacturers are required to register annually?

Manufacturers of computers, monitors, televisions, and printers offered for sale or will sell during a given year, or sold in a previous year and are not registered by another manaufacturer must register annually with DEQ.



Manufacturers of computers, monitors, televisions, printers and fax machines, VCRs, portable music players, DVD players, game consoles, digital converter boxes, cable and satellite receivers, scanners, small-scale servers, routers and modems that will be sold or sold in a previous year. Exemption for manufacturers that sell fewer than 50 covered electronic devices in a given year in Oregon.

#### Manufacturer fees

DEQ registers manufacturers and collects fees from manufacturers for covering DEQ's administrative costs.

Manufacturers in the State Contractor Program pay a recycling fee to cover Program recycling costs.



DEQ registers manufacturers and collects its administrative fee from the producer responsibility organizations.

Producer responsibility organizations calculate manufacturer obligation and collect fees from participating manufacturers to cover recycling costs.

# **Current E-Cycles Law**

## **New 2026 E-Cycles Law**

### Manufacturers obligations and goals

DEQ determines annual collection goals through collections determinations process and assigns manufacturer obligation based on their individual market share pecentage and return share by weight.

Manufacturer and producer responsibility organization are responsible for reaching collection goals set by DEQ.



Eliminates the collections determinations process.

Manufacturer obligation is determined by a manufacturer's individual market share pecentage (calculated by DEQ) and the product category percentage of the total weights of all electronic devices recycled during previous year (calculated by the coordinating body or PRO).

PRO will establish collection and public awareness goals.

#### **Program implementation**

DEQ must administer a State Contractor Program.

Manufacturers may choose to implement a manufacturer program, such as through a producer responsibility organization, under a plan approved by DEQ.



Eliminates requirement for a State Contractor Program. Allows one or more producer responsibility organizations to operate; a coordinating body is designated if multiple producer responsibility organizations are approved.

Manufacturers must designate a PRO to submit a plan that meets all criteria for the following program year to DEQ by July 1 and affirm selection on registration form.

#### **Equity, education and public awareness**

Not explicitly addressed in statute.



Requires a producer responsibility organization to provide convenient and equitable service throughout state, including to rural areas and historically underserved populations.

A PRO must promote high public awareness and education of electronics recycling and collection opportunities statewide.

#### What covered electronics devices will be accepted for recycling?

Computers, monitors having a viewable area greater than four inches measured diagonally, TVs, printers, keyboards and mice.



Adds more devices: fax machines, VCRs, portable music players, DVD players, game consoles, digital converter boxes, cable and satellite receivers, routers, modems, and an expanded group of peripherals such as cords and wireless devices used to provide input or output from a covered device.

#### **Landfill ban**

Covered TVs, monitors, and computers are banned from landfills.



No change to landfill ban.

#### **Contact**

See definitions and specific recycling requirements of electronic devices outlined in <u>ORS 459A.300 to ORS 459A.355</u>. For more information about implementation of the new electronics recycling law, check DEQ's <u>E-Cycles web page</u> or contact the <u>Oregon E-Cycles Program</u>.

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