

IS YOUR BUSINESS READY TO RECYCLE?



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ATTENTION PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BUSINESSES

New Mandatory Recycling Requirements Begin **JULY 1, 2019**

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

New County Legislation (CB-12-2018) states that all Prince George's County business owners, tenants, or operators of commercial and industrial properties, including but not limited to offices, stores, hotels, motels, gas stations, restaurants, factories, processing plants, and manufacturing enterprises, **shall provide at least equally sized and equally convenient recycling containers to accompany each trash container on the interior and exterior of the property, including along storefronts.** Properties should also include a collection system for the recyclables. A list of items that can be recycled shall be clearly displayed on or near the container.

To view a list of the County's acceptable recycling materials, visit bit.ly/acceptedpgc. To review a copy of the legislation, go to bit.ly/CB122018.

For more information, contact the Department of the Environment, Recycling Section, Inspection Unit at 301-883-3635.

Source Reduction Tip: Recycling one ton of plastic saves 98 million Btu's of energy

FOLLOW THE LAW TO AVOID POSSIBLE CITATION AND FINE

Prince George's County has a goal to recycle at least 60% of the waste stream by July 1, 2020.

IMPORTANT COUNTY LEGISLATION

CB-87-2018 County Recycling Program

Requires owners of Multifamily, Commercial and Industrial properties to:

- Provide the opportunity for their tenants to voluntarily recycle designated recyclable materials.
- Insure all recycling containers display clear signage.
- Complete an annual recycling report by February 1 of each year.
- Publicize the recycling program to their tenants.



CB-5-2015 Expanded Polystyrene Ban

Prohibits the sale or distribution of food in expanded polystyrene food service products, regardless of where the food will be consumed.

- A person shall not sell or offer for sale in the County expanded polystyrene food service products.
- A person shall not sell or offer for sale in the County polystyrene loose fill packaging.

EXCEPTIONS

- Prepackaged soup or other food that a food service business sells.
- Food or beverages that were filled and sealed in expanded polystyrene containers outside of the County.
- Materials used to package raw, uncooked or butchered meat, fish, poultry, or seafood for off-premise consumption.

CB-8-2017 Recycling – Special Events

Requires Recycling receptacles at any event which temporarily or periodically uses a public street, publicly owned site/facility or public park and serves food or drinks; and is expected to have 100 or more persons in attendance, must:

- Provide a recycling receptacle immediately adjacent to each trash receptacle at the special event.
- Ensure that all recycling receptacles are clearly distinguished from trash by color and signage.
- Ensure that all recyclable materials deposited into recycling receptacles at the special event are collected and disposed of for recycling.
- Report to the County on recycling activities, as required by the Department of Environment.