



CALIFORNIA COLLECTION SITES

JOIN OUR COLLECTION NETWORK

Overview

Collection sites are an integral part of the Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress program. By participating, you'll provide your community a no-cost option for mattress recycling, divert valuable material from the waste stream, support local green jobs and help reduce illegal dumping in your community.

Join the hundreds of locations that are benefiting from the program's services and providing their residents or customers a no-cost option for mattress recycling.

Contact MRC today to be connected to the program coordinator in your area.

What We Provide

- Collection containers
- Compensation for handling and loading mattresses into the provided containers
- Transportation from your site to a mattress recycler
- No-cost mattress recycling services
- Promotional assistance

Eligibility Requirements

- Permitted solid waste facilities with a California SWIS number are automatically eligible.
- Nonprofits, CRV locations, scrap yards or other small businesses may also qualify.
- Collection sites must not charge an individual for dropping off a mattress.
- Mattress retailers must be registered with MRC and collecting and remitting the recycling fee.

Participation Requirements

Participants must sign a contract agreeing to these requirements:

- Provide a secure site
- Keep mattresses dry and segregated
- Pack mattresses efficiently to maximize container capacity
- Complete required paperwork to track outgoing shipments

Acceptable and Unacceptable Items

Most mattresses and box springs discarded by California residents or collected in curbside bulky waste pickup are eligible for the program.

We are unable to accept:

- Severely damaged, wet, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses or box springs
- Items infested with bed bugs
- Mattress pads or toppers
- Sleeping bags
- Pillows
- Car beds
- Infant carriers, lounge pads or crib bumpers
- Juvenile products such as carriages, baskets, cribs, bassinets, dressing tables, strollers and playpens or their pads
- Water beds or camping air mattresses
- Fold-out sofa beds, futon frames/bases
- Furniture



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(855) 494-8400, info@byebyemattress.com

Or visit www.MattressRecyclingCouncil.org for details



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION & CONTRACT TERMS

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Getting a contract signed by our city/county is a lengthy process, do you have a short-term solution?

Yes! We have a one-page online agreement to register as an MRC collection site. Through this simplified agreement, you will receive no-cost storage, transportation and recycling. To receive financial compensation for handling costs, the comprehensive contract is required.

Do we have to accept an unlimited amount of mattresses?

No. Collection sites may establish a limit on the number of mattresses allowed at no-cost per vehicle.

How much is the mattress handling reimbursement cost?

It is a flat per unit rate. The comprehensive contract must be completed in order to receive this. You must invoice MRC monthly and MRC pays net 30.

Can we charge businesses for mattress disposal?

You may choose to establish a maximum number to accept at no-cost per vehicle.

Through MRC's Commercial Volume Program businesses can deliver large quantities directly to participating recyclers for no-cost recycling. Locations and contact information can be found at ByeByeMattress.com.

Businesses with at least 100 units qualify for no-cost transportation of the units to a participating recycler. Coordination with MRC required.

What happens to mattresses that are too soiled or contaminated to recycle?

Regardless of the condition of the mattress, participating collectors cannot charge individuals a disposal fee.

Are we compensated for disposal of soiled or contaminated mattresses from commercial sources?

If your site accepts commercial volume for free, a soiled or contaminated unit would need to be accepted at no charge, but not placed in MRC's container.

If your site does not accept commercial volume for free, you are still permitted to charge the customer.

Who will be paying the mattress transporter and recycler?

MRC has contracts with transporters and recyclers throughout California. MRC pays these vendors directly.

What information, if any, do we need to take from an individual dropping off their mattress?

You do not need to collect personal information, however, mattresses must have been used and discarded in California.

What type of promotional assistance does MRC provide?

All collection sites are listed on ByeByeMattress.com and promoted through social media and a monthly newsletter. MRC also provides participants with a press release, flyer, suggested online content and site signage. Requests to cover the cost of paid advertising are considered on a case-by-case basis. Download the Collection Site Publicity Toolkit for full details and examples of these materials.

Will MRC provide equipment or help us make some improvements in order to accept mattresses?

MRC awards site improvement funding throughout the year. Past recipients have used funding to implement weather protection, enhance collection efficiency or improve safety. Visit MRC's Research page for the latest funding announcements and application materials.

Can MRC assist with illegally dumped units in our community?

Yes! Please ask us about the Illegally Dumped Mattress Collection Initiative. It requires a separate registration and has monthly reporting requirements. We would be happy to discuss the details and determine your eligibility.



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