



BYE BYE MATTRESS COMMERCIAL VOLUME PROGRAM

NO-COST MATTRESS RECYCLING FOR BUSINESSES

Overview

The Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress Program collects more than 1.7 million mattresses for recycling each year from across its program states. Contributing to that success are mattress retailers, hotels, universities, hospitals and other organizations that dispose of many mattresses at once.

The Commercial Volume Program makes it easy for your business to use Bye Bye Mattress to recycle and can save you transportation and recycling costs too.

The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) is a nonprofit organization established by the bedding industry to administer and operate the mattress stewardship program created by General Law 23-90.

What We Provide

Contact MRC today to receive:

- No-cost recycling services.
- No-cost drop-off at a participating recycler (no minimum required).
- No-cost transportation of collected mattresses to a participating recycler (50 unit minimum required).

Eligibility Requirements

RETAILERS

- Mattress retailers must be registered with MRC, remitting the recycling fees and compliant with all provisions of the law to participate.
- To receive no-cost drop-off, must make arrangements with MRC.
- To receive transportation, must have accumulated a minimum of 50 units. Partnering with other local businesses, organizations or allowing public drop-off to reach the minimum is permitted.
- Units must have been used and discarded in Rhode Island.

OTHER COVERED ENTITIES

Hotels & Lodging Facilities
Universities & Educational Institutions
Military Bases
Healthcare
Waste to Energy Facilities
Correctional Facilities

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- When purchasing new units, the vendor must be collecting and remitting the recycling fee.



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Or visit [Bye Bye Mattress Commercial Recycling](https://www.byebyemattress.com) for details.



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Participation Requirements

- Complete registration form and return it no later than 14 days prior to desired pickup or drop-off date. Obtain registration form by contacting MRC.
- Follow the Commercial Volume Guidelines.
- Provide a collection area that is capable of allowing access to a 53-foot trailer.
- Keep collected units dry.
- Provide a minimum of two staff to load units into the provided trailer.

Ineligible Items

- Units from out of state sources
- Units infested with bed bugs or other living organisms
- Severely damaged, twisted, wet, frozen or soiled units

Unacceptable Items

- Adjustable bases not covered in ticking or fabric
- Air mattresses that contain no upholstery material (such as camping beds)
- Car beds
- Collapsible roll-away beds
- Fold-out sofa beds
- Futons
- Juvenile products, including: carriages, baskets, dressing tables, strollers, playpens, infant carriers, lounge pad, crib bumpers
- Loose bedding, blankets or sheets
- Mattress pads and toppers
- Metal bed frames
- Pillows and cushions
- Sleeping bags
- Water beds

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I do not have 50 units to discard?

MRC requires a minimum of 50 units to receive transportation. A participant may partner with nearby retailers or other covered entities, or allow the public to drop off units at the site in order to reach the minimum.

A participant may also drop off units at a participating recycler. Contact MRC for details.

Can I store mattresses until I have the 50 minimum unit amount?

Yes. Mattresses must be stored in a location where they remain clean and dry. Contact MRC for transportation options.

Will MRC assist in loading trailers?

No. It is the responsibility of the participant to load the trailer. Participants are required to provide a minimum of two staff members to load units into the provided truck within two hours.

How long do I have to load the trailer?

Two hours are allocated to load the trailer. If more time is needed, contact MRC to discuss alternate solutions.

Where will the mattresses be taken?

The mattresses will be taken to an MRC-contracted recycler.

Will I receive documentation for recycling mattresses?

MRC's transporter will provide a Bill of Lading to document the shipment. Keep a copy for your records.

Can I recycle mattress related items?

No. Only eligible mattresses and box springs are accepted. See Ineligible and Unacceptable Items section above.

Can I recycle mattresses that are infected with bed bugs, damaged, wet, twisted, frozen, or heavily soiled?

No. Mattresses in these conditions should be disposed of as solid waste at the participant's expense.



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