

MATTRESS RETAILERS, MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, IMPORTERS AND RENOVATORS

Oregon’s Mattress Stewardship Act – Senate Bill 1576

In March 2022, Oregon enacted the Mattress Stewardship Act ([SB1576](#)) requiring the mattress industry to create and manage a statewide mattress recycling program. The [Mattress Recycling Council](#) (MRC) is the nonprofit organization created by the mattress

industry to administer this and other statewide mattress recycling programs. The Oregon program will be funded through a point-of-sale mattress stewardship assessment (fee) collected on all new, used and renovated mattresses and foundations sold to

Oregon end users. By October 2023, MRC will submit its proposed program plan to Oregon’s [Department of Environmental Quality](#) for approval. We anticipate launching the program in early 2024.

Requirements

Retailers

Retailers who sell or offer for sale products in Oregon that meet the law’s definition of mattress or foundation must:

- Register at [MRCreporting.org](#) by December 31, 2022.
- When the program formally launches:
 - Collect the mattress stewardship fee on each mattress and foundation sold to end users in Oregon (including both individual consumers and contract purchasers, such as hotels, hospitals and universities) and remit the collected fees to MRC monthly.
 - Only purchase or offer for sale products and brands from registered manufacturers, distributors, importers or renovators.
 - At the point of sale, provide consumers with information about available collection and recycling options for discarded products. MRC has created a consumer-facing brand called Bye Bye Mattress that educates consumers about the fee, the benefits of mattress recycling and the available collection and disposal options. MRC will provide point-of-sale materials to retailers free of charge.

Manufacturers, Distributors and Importers

Manufacturers, distributors and importers of products that are sold or offered for sale in Oregon that meet the law’s definition of mattress or foundation must:

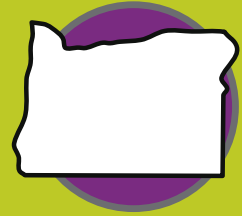
- Register at [MRCreporting.org](#) by December 31, 2022. This process will require providing the brand names of the mattresses and foundations that you manufacture, distribute or import that are offered for sale in Oregon.
- When the program launches:
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Renovators

Renovators who distribute or offer for sale products in Oregon that meet the law’s definition of mattress or foundation must:

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Fee Collection

The fee should not be collected on wholesale transactions (that is, sales by a manufacturer to a retailer). The fee is collected on each mattress and foundation sold directly to Oregon end users, including individual consumers and contract purchasers (hotels, hospitals, universities, etc.). This fee is:

- A flat rate regardless of mattress size or type.
- Charged per unit. Each mattress and each foundation unit are considered separate units.
- Described on the receipt or other sales documentation provided to the customer as a recycling assessment or recycling fee (but not as an “Oregon Recycling Fee”).

MRC will announce the amount of the per unit recycling fee once Oregon DEQ approves the plan.

Fee Reporting and Remittance Policy

No later than 30 days following the end of each reporting period, a company that has a legal obligation to collect the recycling fees from mattress and foundation purchasers must submit a [Fee Report](#) to MRC and remit to MRC all fees collected during that reporting period. For example, a Fee Report for the month of March and all recycling fees collected on March must be sent to MRC by April 30 (that is, 30 days after the end of March reporting period).

MRC’s full [Fee Policy](#) is available on MRCreporting.org under the Resources tab.

Links

Definitions:

[MRC Registration and Reporting \(MRCreporting.org\)](http://MRCreporting.org)

Included and Excluded Products:

[MRC Registration and Reporting \(MRCreporting.org\)](http://MRCreporting.org)

FAQs:

[MRC Registration and Reporting \(MRCreporting.org\)](http://MRCreporting.org)

Oregon’s Program:

[MRC’s Oregon Program Page](#)

[Mattress Stewardship Act \(Senate Bill 1576\)](#)

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality:

[Department of Environmental Quality –](#)

[Mattress Recycling Program](#)



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