



BECOMING A NO-COST MATTRESS COLLECTION SITE

In March 2022, Oregon passed the Mattress Stewardship Act (SB 1576), establishing a statewide mattress recycling program administered by the bedding industry.

The industry created the Mattress Recycling Council (MRC), a nonprofit organization, to administer this program. Bye Bye Mattress is the consumer-facing brand MRC created to promote the program.

By joining MRC's Bye Bye Mattress program, you'll provide your community a no-cost option for diverting valuable material from the waste stream, support local green jobs and help reduce illegal dumping.

Overview

MRC's Bye Bye Mattress program began in Oregon on Jan. 1, 2025, and is similar to MRC's existing programs in California, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Oregon's program is made possible by a stewardship assessment that

is collected when mattresses and box springs are sold for use in the state.

Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality approved MRC's plan to administer and operate this program.

Program and Non-Program Products

Program Products:

Participants must agree to accept at no-cost all program mattresses and foundations (also commonly called box springs) in any condition. The product must have been used in Oregon.

Non-Program Products:

- Adjustable bases not covered in ticking or fabric
- Air mattresses that contain no upholstery material
- Car beds
- Collapsible roll-away beds
- Fold-out sofa beds
- Futons and furniture
- Infant carriers, lounge pads or crib bumpers
- Juvenile products such as carriages, baskets, cribs,
- bassinets, dressing tables, strollers and playpens or their pads
- Loose bedding, blankets or sheets
- Mattress pads or toppers
- Mattresses stripped of padding components (partial units)
- Metal bed frames
- Pillows and cushions
- Sleeping bags
- Water beds

What We Provide

- Collection containers at your site
- Compensation for all program products collected (including those too damaged for program containers and requiring disposal)
- Transportation from your site to the contracted recycler
- Mattress recycling services
- Assistance with residential education

Participant Benefits

Participating facilities no longer incur mattress disposal costs. MRC uses the collected stewardship assessments to pay for the transportation and recycling of the mattresses.

Program participants divert mattresses from waste-to-energy facilities and landfills and allow materials like steel, foam, fiber and wood to be reused.

Participation Requirements

- Must register with MRC Program Coordinator for no-cost recycling services
- Provide a secure site for the collection container
- Keep mattresses dry and segregated
- Pack mattresses efficiently to maximize container capacity
- Complete required paperwork to track outgoing shipments

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