

2023 eCYCLE DC Registration Updates

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eCYCLE law registration requirement

- A manufacturer that <u>sells</u>, <u>offers for sale</u>, or <u>delivers to a retailer for subsequent sale</u> new covered electronic equipment (CEE) in the District is required to:
 - 1. Label its CEE with a readily visible brand identifying the manufacturer, and
 - 2. Register with the Department of Energy & Environment (DOEE), unless the manufacturer qualifies for a *de minimis* exemption from selling under 100 units of CEE in 2021.
- Registration includes a payment of a fee, a collection and recycling plan, and a report on past collection and recycling activities.
- For registration forms, the *de minimis* worksheet, and related information, see:
 - <u>https://doee.dc.gov/service/eCYCLE-DC-Manufacturers</u>
 - <u>https://ecycleregistration.org/</u>



Regulatory change impacting fees

20 DCMR § 4102.3

Previous text:

The Department shall adjust the fees in this section for inflation annually, using the Urban Consumer Price Index published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics. To perform this adjustment, the Department shall increase each fee by the percentage, if any, by which the Urban Consumer Price Index for October of the calendar year exceeds the Urban Consumer Price Index for October of the previous calendar year. Each inflation adjustment shall be posted to the Department's website.

New text, after 2022 amendment:

The Department shall adjust the fees in this section for inflation annually, using the Urban Consumer Price Index published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics. To perform this adjustment, the Department shall increase each fee by the percentage, if any, by which the Urban Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year exceeds the Urban Consumer Price Index for June of the previous calendar year. Each inflation adjustment shall be posted to the Department's website.



Updates to fees to account for inflation (required)





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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – JUNE 2022

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 1.3 percent in June on a seasonally adjusted basis after rising 1.0 percent in May the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 9.1 percent before seasonal adjustment.

	Previous fee, for		Current fee, for	
Percent of minimum	calendar year		calendar year	
collection share achieved	2022 registration		2023 registration	
≥ 90%	\$	0.30	\$	0.33
50% (inclusive) to < 90%	\$	0.40	\$	0.44
<50%	\$	0.50	\$	0.55

			Current fee, for calendar year 2023	
Registration category	2022 registration registration		istration	
Individual manufacturer (sold 100–249 CEE units)	\$	759.00	\$	828.07
Individual manufacturer (sold ≥250 CEE units)	\$	2,681.80	\$	2,925.84
Partnership (participant sold 100–249 CEE units)	\$	708.40	\$	772.86
Partnership fee (participant sold ≥250 CEE units)	\$	2,479.40	\$	2,705.03
Representative Organization - first registrant	\$	15,180.00	\$	16,561.38
Representative Organization - each additional	\$	2,226.40	\$	2,429.00

Online payment option

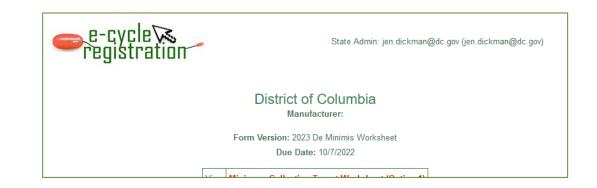
- DOEE is working to set up an **online payment system to accept fees by credit card** (including a small fee for the convenience of paying online).
- Once this system is available, instructions for paying online will be posted at https://doee.dc.gov/service/eCYCLE-DC-Manufacturers.



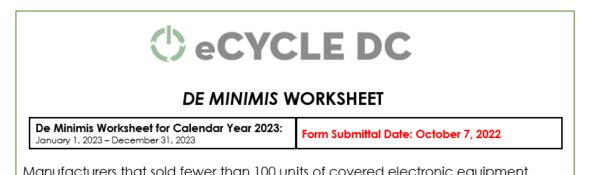


New option for completing form

 The *de minimis* worksheet can now be completed and submitted through <u>ecycleregistration.org</u>.



 DOEE will continue to make this worksheet available in Word at: <u>https://doee.dc.gov/service/eCYCLE-DC-Manufacturers</u> to submit by email.



Updates to registration review process

If an application item is missing or deficient:

- Previously:
 - 1. DOEE provided comments to the applicant and asked for corrections.
- Going forward:
 - 1. If DOEE determines an application item is missing or deficient, DOEE will disapprove the application and notify the applicant of the corrections needed.
 - 2. The manufacturer, partnership, or representative organization will need to revise and resubmit the application for DOEE approval.

DOEE is still available to provide compliance assistance as needed.



Updates to registration review process

Representative organizations only:

- Proposed public outreach and awareness activities will receive a close review in the context of the factors in <u>D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.03(d)(2)</u>, including:
 - Total market share of RO members
 - Pounds per capita of CEE collected by RO in past year
 - District's progress toward:

§ 8–1041.02. District covered electronics waste diversion goal.

In implementing <u>this chapter</u>, the District shall strive to divert at least 80% of covered electronic equipment waste, estimated based on best available information, to be generated in the District annually from landfill or incineration through recycling or reuse by 2032, and to ensure electronics manufacturer responsibility for the recycling of covered electronic equipment waste.



Updates to registration review process

From 2021 eCYCLE DC Report to the DC Council: Table 1. Weight collected by manufacturers through eCYCLE DC from 2018 to 2020 (in pounds, rounded)*

	2018	2019	2020
Weight collected by individual manufacturers or partnerships with a weight-based collection goal (minimum collection share, or MCS)	2.59 million	3.38 million	1.13 million
Weight collected by representative organizations with a convenience requirement		0.03 million	0.04 million
Weight collected by all manufacturers	2.59 million	3.41 million	1.17 million

*The amounts shown in this table may need to be updated in the future due to corrections reported in later years.

For 2020:

- 1.13 million lbs was collected by a total of 31 manufacturers; 0.04 million lbs was collected by 25
 - → Individuals and partnerships collected >20 times more weight than ROs, per capita
- If the RO manufacturers had a minimum collection share, it would have been 2.85 million pounds total. They collected 1.5% of that.

Clarification on enforcement policy

DOEE may take enforcement action against manufacturers selling unregistered equipment after January 1, 2023.

Note: registration includes payment of fees.





Notable updates to registration forms

- Payment instructions
 - Moved from registration forms to https://doee.dc.gov/service/eCYCLE-DC-Manufacturers
- Brand information (on Word forms)
 - Instead of reporting "category" of covered electronic equipment, please report "type"

Туре	
 Desktop computers 	 Laptops*
 Small-scale server 	 Tablets*
 Portable digital music players that have memory capability 	• E-readers*
and are battery-powered	*Only items with screens larger than 6 inches measured diagonally
 Computer monitors larger than 	 Speakers sold with computers
6 inches, measured diagonally • Keyboard	 Desktop printers or multifunction printers that weigh 100 pounds or
Computer mouse	less
Televisions with screens larger th	nan 6 inches measured diagonally
• VCRs	 Signal converter boxes
• DVRs	 Cable and satellite receivers
• DVD players (not portable)	 Gaming consoles used with TVs
	 Desktop computers Small-scale server Portable digital music players that have memory capability and are battery-powered Computer monitors larger than 6 inches, measured diagonally Keyboard Computer mouse Televisions with screens larger the VCRs DVRs



Notable updates to registration forms

- 2021 collection information (reporting)
 - Please review all questions carefully. All entities must answer at least the first question.
 - Questions added to assess compliance with:
 - Requirement to provide recycling information at the point of sale (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.05(e))
 - One-to-one requirement (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.05(d))
- Sales information
 - Please make sure sales reported this year are consistent with reporting in past years, or explain any deviation *at the time of submission*



Notable updates to registration forms

- Recycling plan
 - Central "recycling plan" question split into 3 questions so that more detailed responses must be provided and reuse is explicitly called out
 - New information to be reported:
 - Location of anticipated end markets (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.03(b)(4))
 - Disposal methods for portions of CEE that aren't recycled or reused (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.03(b)(4))
 - How point-of-sale recycling information will be provided (D.C. Official Code 8-1041.05(e))
 - How future minimum collection shares (MCS) will be met if MCS has not been attained (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.03(b)(6))
- Representative organization lead reporting and implementation plan
 - Questions reference outreach to small nonprofits & small businesses, in addition to residents, since all are covered entities

Notable updates to fact sheets

- Manufacturer's Guide
 - Highlights the 1:1 and point-of-sale requirements in the law applicable to all manufacturers
 - Provides detailed examples of how a representative organization can increase outreach
- Shortfall fee fact sheet
 - Provides detailed instructions for calculating a shortfall fee
- CEE definition fact sheet
 - Portable DVD players are not in-scope
 - Scanners are only in-scope if part of a multi-function printer





- 2023 Representative Organization Registration Fees fact sheet
 - Includes a formula for calculating the fee

Registration reminders

- October 7 is the "submittal date," as the strongly preferred deadline
- Vendors recycling or reusing CEE collected under a manufacturer's waste management program must (still) have e-Stewards certification.
 - Certified recyclers can be found here: <u>https://e-stewards.org/find-a-recycler/</u>







We're happy to answer any questions!



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THANK YOU!

