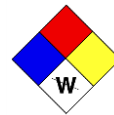




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COMPLIANCE MADE EASY

CERTIFIED APPLIANCE RECYCLER

A Certified Appliance Recycler (CAR) is a person or business certified by Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to remove and properly manage certain potentially hazardous materials, known as materials that require special handling (MRSH), from discarded major appliances.

Major appliance is defined as a domestic or commercial device, including, but not limited to the following:

- washing machine
- clothes dryer
- hot water heater
- dehumidifier
- conventional oven
- microwave oven
- stove
- refrigerator
- freezer
- air-conditioner
- trash compacter
- residential furnace

Materials that require special handling (MRSH) include the following:

- Sodium azide canisters in unspent airbags that are determined to be hazardous by federal and state law or regulation
- Encapsulated polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), Di(2-Ethylhexylphthalate) (DEHP), and metal encased capacitors in major appliances
- Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), and other non-CFC replacement refrigerants injected in air-conditioning and refrigeration units
- Used oil defined in California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) Section 25250.1 in major appliances
- Mercury found in switches and temperature control devices in major appliances
- Any other material that when removed from a major appliance is a hazardous waste regulated pursuant to chapter 6.5 of CHSC

COMMON CERTIFIED APPLIANCE RECYCLER VIOLATIONS

- A. Failure to obtain a Certified Appliance Recycler certification from DTSC (CHSC § 25211.4)**
- B. Failure of a Certified Appliance Recycler to provide documentation that demonstrates that all MRSH have been properly removed and managed for the past three years (CHSC § 25211.2 and 25211.3)**
- C. Failure of a Certified Appliance Recycler to properly manage all MRSH as hazardous waste or universal waste if applicable (CHSC § 25212)**
- D. Failure of a Certified Appliance Recycler to properly remove all MRSH from appliances prior to the appliance being crushed, baled, shredded, sawed or sheared apart, disposed of, or otherwise processed in such a manner that could result in the release or prevent the removal of any MRSH (CHSC § 25212(a))**

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