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CONTAINER REFUND SCHEME REGULATIONS 2023 (TAS)

Guidelines on Exempt and Eligible Containers

Eligible and exempt containers are determined by the Container Refund Scheme Act 2022 (TAS) and the Container Refund Scheme Regulations 2023 (TAS), not by these guidelines (which are policy not law). These guidelines are general in nature, incomplete and subject to change so please consult the TasRecycle website for the recent version. If you are unsure whether your container is eligible or exempt, please contact firstresponsiblesuppliers@tasrecycle.com.au. This document does not contain legal advice. You may wish to seek legal advice about whether your container is eligible or exempt in Tasmania.

EXEMPT CONTAINERS - PART 2 (SECTION 4) CONTAINERS			
Container style (make and material)	Size	Criteria	Examples (not limited to but include)
Glass containers	All sizes	Containers that are made of glass and are marketed as being able to be refilled , with a beverage, by the person who first supplied the container and the beverage.	- Growlers, sold on the basis that they may be returned to the supplier - e.g. a brewery - to be refilled.
All container types	Under 150ml	Containers designed to hold under 150ml of liquid.	 Certain small juice, milk or alternative plant-based milk bottles and boxes, with a capacity of under 150ml. Certain small packets of juice, water, with a capacity of under 150ml.
All container types	Over 3L	Containers designed to hold over 3L of liquid.	 Certain champagne magnums, with a capacity over 3L. Certain bottles of alcohol, with a capacity over 3L. Bottles of water, with a capacity over 3L. Bottles of juice, with a capacity over 3L.
All container types	All sizes	Containers that have held one or more of the following beverages: (i) animal milks that are unflavoured; (ii) plant-based milk substitutes that are unflavoured;	 Bottles of unflavoured milk (including soy, oat, almond or coconut milk). Cartons of unflavoured milk (including soy, oat, almond or coconut milk).

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		(iii) concentrated juice, whether fruit juice or vegetable juice or a combination of both, that is intended to be diluted before consumption; (iv) concentrated cordial, or similar concentrate, that is intended to be diluted before consumption.	 Bottles of fruit and/or vegetable juice concentrate. Bottles of cordial.
All container types	All sizes	Containers that have held a beverage that: (i) is included, as a tonic or supplement, on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods within the meaning of the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 of the Commonwealth; and (ii) is supplied with a label, or accompanying document, that specifies: (A) a recommended maximum dose for the beverage; and (B) a statement that the beverage is for medicinal or therapeutic purposes.	- Medicine bottles (cough syrups, medicinal syrups such as antacid, throat syrups etc).
All container types	1L and over	Containers that have held 1L and over of: (i) flavoured milk; or (ii) flavoured plant-based milk substitutes. (iii) a beverage that is comprised of at least 90% fruit juice or vegetable juice, or a combination of both.	 Bottles/cartons of flavoured milk (including soy, oat, almond or coconut milk) with a capacity of 1L and over. Bottles/cartons of pure fruit and/or vegetable juice with a capacity of 1L and over.
Cardboard containers with plastic or foil interior lining	1L and over	Containers that: (i) are made of cardboard; and (ii) have an interior lined with plastic or foil, or both; and (iii) have held 1L and over of: (A) wine; or (B) a beverage that contains wine and has an alcohol	 Casks of wine (including dealcoholised wine) and water, and sparkling or spring water. Certain casks of wine-based cocktails.

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Containers made of plastic or foil or both	250ml and over	by volume content of less than 10%; or (C) water, including mineral water and spring water. Containers that: (i) are made of plastic or foil or both; and (ii) have held 250ml and over of wine.	- Pouches and small plastic bottles of wine.
Glass containers	All sizes	Containers that: (i) are made of glass; and (ii) are sold while containing only the following beverages: (A) wine; (B) spirits as distinguished from fermented beverages (such as wine or beer) (C) an alcoholic beverage produced by distillation.	 Glass wine bottles (including de-alcoholised wine). All glass bottles containing distilled alcohol - e.g. whisky, vodka, gin.

ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS (non-exhaustive list of eligible containers)		
Container style (make and material)	Size	Examples (not limited to but include)
Aluminium or steel	150ml to 3L	Cans of any beverage: - Soft drink, alcohols, water (including spring and mineral water), carbonated beverages, beverages comprised of diluted (less than 90%) fruit and/or vegetable juice, and beverages that contain diluted concentrated juice and/or cordial and are ready to consume.
Glass containers	150ml to 3L	Glass bottles of the following beverages: - Soft drink, water (including spring and mineral water), carbonated beverages, beverages comprised of diluted (less than 90%) fruit juice and/or vegetable juice, and beverages that contain diluted concentrated juice and/or cordial and are ready to consume. - Beer, cider, mead, Ready to Drink (RTD) beverages (alcopops, premade cocktails).

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Plastic containers	150ml to 3L	Plastic bottles of any beverage: - Soft drink, alcohols (single serve wine only), water (including spring and mineral water), carbonated beverages, beverages comprised of diluted (less than 90%) fruit juice and/or vegetable juice, and beverages that contain diluted concentrated juice and/or cordial and are ready to consume.
All container types	150ml to under 1L	All drink container types with: - Flavoured animal milk, flavoured plant-based milk substitute, and beverages of 90% fruit juice or vegetable juice (or a combination of both).
Cardboard with plastic or foil interior lining	150ml to under 1L	Boxes or cartons of any beverage: - Soft drink, alcohols, water (including spring and mineral water) and beverages that contain diluted concentrated juice and/or cordial and are ready to consume.
Containers made of plastic or foil or both	150ml to under 250ml	Single serve pouches and single serve plastic bottles of: - Wine or wine-based beverages.