

South Carolina Manufacturer
Responsibility and Consumer Convenience
Information Technology Equipment
Collection and Recovery Act
E-Scrap Act 234

Act 234

- Revised June 2022.
- Established a convenience standard vs. the 80% pounds obligation for TV/Monitor Manufacturers.
- Updated requirements for recoverers and collectors of covered electronic devices to ensure human and environmental health is protected.
- Sunset date of December 31, 2029, and a mechanism to initiate stakeholder proceedings in 2026 to review the act and provide recommendations to the legislature to ensure the act is kept up-to-date.



Convenience Standard

- Voluntary for counties- annual opt-in.
 - Municipalities with more than 17,000 persons will be able to opt-in to another county's program if their county elects not to participate.
- Television and computer monitor manufacturers will participate individually or as part of a Manufacturer Clearinghouse in Group Plans.
- Counties that opt-in are assigned Groups annually.



Convenience Standard (cont'd)

- 1 collection site (or 4 events) for a county with fewer than 100,000 persons.
- 2 collection sites (or 8 events) for a county with 100,000-199,999 persons.
- 3 collection sites (or 12 events) for a county with more than 200,000 persons.



County/Local Government Responsibilities

- Opt-in to a manufacturer/clearinghouse e-waste plan annually by May 1.
- Select sites for program sites or 1-day events.
- Counties can act as the collector for a program site/1-day event:
 - Provide labor/equipment to assist with stacking, packaging, loading of e-waste.
 - Register as collectors annually by November 1.



Manufacturer Responsibilities

- Submit registration/fee to Department.
- Report collection totals to the Clearinghouse.
- Submit (individually or as a Clearinghouse) an ewaste program for approval.
- Provide funding for packaging materials (gaylords, pallets, shrink wrap, etc.)
- Fund the transportation of materials from sites.
- Fund the recycling of collected materials collected by program.



DHEC Responsibilities

- Review and approve the manufacturer ewaste plan.
- Enforce the Act's requirements.
- Assist in the opt-in process for counties.
- Coordinate the registrations for manufacturers, recyclers, collectors.
- Post information on the DHEC website.



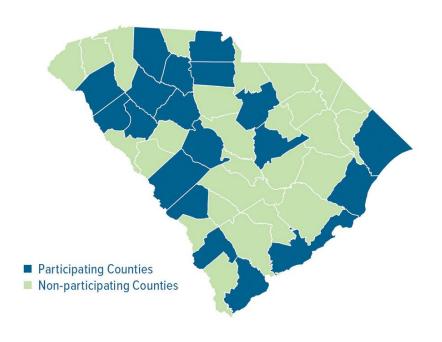
Important Dates

- February 15 Manufacturer Registration
- March 1 Submission of recycling reports from manufacturers
- May 1 Deadline for counties/municipality opt-ins.
- September 1 E-waste plan submitted to DHEC for approval by October 30.
- November 1– Collectors, Recyclers register with DHEC.



2023 Program Year

- 19 Counties Opted-In
- Program 4,521,838
- Private 7,167,991
- Total: 11,689,829



2024 Program Year

- 18 Counties Opted-In
- Q1 Total 3,011,000
- Increase from 2023
 Q1 2,034,000 total

2025 Program Year

 20 Counties Opted-In

Years at a Glance

TABLE 2.6: Electronic Devices Recoved in Pounds by FY

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Covered Electronics Devices Recovered	14,619,732	16,086,676	19,630,642	10,802,593	11,689,829



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