

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS - PRICING

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Q. How is the Container Refund Scheme funded?

A. Beverage manufacturers that supply [eligible beverage containers](#) into Queensland will fund the Scheme. The contribution that each business makes to the Scheme will be based on their market share in Queensland.

The *Waste Reduction and Recycling Amendment Bill* legislated that the business which first 'supplies' an eligible beverage container into Queensland is to fund the Scheme cost on a 'price-per-container sold' basis.

The price charged per container differs across the seven material types accepted by the Scheme.

Q. What is the cost for me as a beverage manufacturer?

A. Container Exchange has now published the initial five-month cost price for beverage manufacturers that 'first supply' containers into Queensland and is available at www.containerexchange.com.au.

In Queensland, the Scheme sets this price based on real container sales data (i.e. in arrears) rather than projected sales rates. This will assist in ensuring that beverage manufacturers only pay for the actual costs of the scheme, rather than projected costs.

Q. Will the cost to beverage manufacturers change over time?

A. It is expected that the costs of running the scheme will change over time as the scheme becomes established and more customers take up the opportunity to return their eligible containers and receive a refund.

Container Exchange will set the scheme cost each calendar quarter to assist beverage businesses with budget planning requirements.

Q. How will beverage businesses be charged their contribution to the Scheme?

A. Container Exchange will issue an invoice to each business for their share of costs based on the number of eligible containers they have supplied into Queensland.

This means that all businesses pay in arrears for the scheme.

Q. What does a beverage manufacturer's declaration involve?

A. Beverage businesses will be required to provide Container Exchange with a declaration on the volume of beverages supplied/sold into Queensland in the previous month.

Q. Who is responsible for operating the Container Refund Scheme?

The Queensland Government appointed Container Exchange to establish and operate Queensland's Container Refund Scheme.

Container Exchange will develop Container Recovery Agreements (CRAs) and Container Export Agreements (CEAs) directly with beverage manufacturers prior to the Scheme's commencement.

Container Exchange is a not-for-profit (NFP) organisation and is committed to establishing an effective and low-cost container refund scheme for Queensland.

Q. What information will Container Exchange need from beverage businesses?

In October 2018, beverage manufacturers will be required to register all eligible containers and provide a declaration of the 12-month history of containers by material type supplied into Queensland. All information is treated as commercially confident.

Q. When will the Scheme commence?

The Container Refund Scheme will commence on 1 November 2018.

More information

For further information, please visit www.containerexchange.com.au or call 13-4-CHANGE (13 42 42).