New Devices Subject to the Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Fee Starting July 1, 2022

Beginning July 1, 2022, the following electronic display devices that have a screen size of more than four (4) inches measured diagonally are subject to the covered electronic waste recycling (eWaste) fee:

- Organic light-emitting diode (OLED)-containing laptop computers
- OLED-containing tablets
- OLED-containing desktop monitors
- OLED-containing televisions
- Liquid crystal display (LCD)-containing smart displays
- LCD-containing tablets now under their own covered electronic device (CED) category

Prior to July 1, 2022, tablets were categorized under the “LCD-containing laptop” category.

Smart displays

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) defines a smart display as a device that is intended for stationary use, has a built-in speaker and a video display screen measuring at least four (4) inches when measured diagonally, offers voice activated, integrated virtual assistance to the user and interactive connections with other devices. Examples of smart displays include devices that can connect remotely to home security systems or act as a smart home hub.

Amended regulations add new covered electronic devices

On December 20, 2021, DTSC adopted regulations to amend the list of CEDs subject to the eWaste fee. The regulations (Regulation 66260.201 and Appendix X) add the products noted above.

DTSC is responsible for determining which products qualify as CEDs. If you have questions regarding the recently adopted regulations, please visit the DTSC website at www.dtsc.ca.gov/electronic-hazardous-waste/.

We administer the eWaste fee program in cooperation with DTSC and CalRecycle. For more information about our role in the eWaste fee program, please visit our Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Fee Guide at www.cdtfa.ca.gov/taxes-and-fees/electronic-waste-recycling-fee.htm. If you would like to learn more about the eWaste program and CalRecycle’s role, please visit the CalRecycle website at www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Electronics.

For more information

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call our Customer Service Center at 1-800-400-7115 (CRS:711) and select the option for Special Taxes and Fees. Customer service representatives are available to assist you Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific time), except state holidays.

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