



# CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME FACT SHEET

## What is the latest announcement?

New laws that will enable the Western Australian Container Deposit Scheme have been introduced to Parliament.

## What is the Container Deposit Scheme?

The scheme offers a 10 cent refund for all eligible drink containers including cans, bottles, juice boxes and flavoured milk cartons.

All returned containers will be recycled. None of the containers will be disposed of to landfill.

## When will it commence?

The scheme is scheduled to commence in early 2020.

## Who will co-ordinate it?

A not-for-profit organisation.

Applications for a scheme co-ordinator are currently open through a tender process until 5 December 2018.

## Where will the scheme operate?

There will be a range of different types of refund points located across metropolitan and regional WA to ensure all Western Australians can access the scheme.

## Why is it being introduced?

The scheme will reduce litter, increase recycling rates, and provide a range of opportunities for social enterprises.

Projections show that the Western Australian Container Deposit Scheme will result in 706 million fewer beverage containers being littered, and 5.9 billion fewer containers sent to landfill over 20 years. It will also create up to 500 jobs at container sorting facilities and refund points.

The scheme is also very well supported by the community. Consultation by the McGowan Government has shown that 97% of survey respondents supported the scheme.