Hawaii Electronic Waste and Television Recycling and Recovery Law

TV Manufacturer Information

Manufacturers of televisions sold in the state of Hawaii must register with the Department of Health (DOH) and pay an annual registration fee of $2,500. Manufacturers must register with DOH prior to selling TVs in Hawaii.

Manufacturer Described

Manufacturers are those who:

- Make or made TVs under their own brand; or
- Sold TVs under a brand which they licensed; or
- Sold TVs without affixing a brand.

The law also includes retailers who sell TVs made by others under a brand that the seller owns.

Manufacturer Timeline

January 1, 2010
Registration and $2,500 fee payment are due. Annual fee payments are due by January 1st of each year.
Registration and renewal shall include a list of all TV brands the manufacturer sells.

Note: Manufacturers of both TVs and CEDs must pay registration fees separately.

June 1, 2010
Recycling plans are due to DOH. Manufacturers must submit recycling plans annually.
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Covered TV Described

Covered televisions include any device that is capable of receiving broadcast, cable, or satellite signals and displaying television or video programming, including without limitation any direct view or projection television with a viewable screen of nine inches or larger with display technology based on cathode ray tube, plasma, liquid crystal on silicon, silicon crystal reflective display, light emitting diode, or similar technology marketed and intended for use by a household.

Covered TV Exemption

The law exempts devices listed below.

- TVs that are part of a motor vehicle. This also includes replacement parts for a motor vehicle.
- TVs that are functionally or physically required as parts of larger pieces of equipment used in an industrial, commercial or medical setting. Including diagnostic, monitoring or control equipment.
- Telephones of any type.
- Global Positioning Systems.

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Recycling and Recovery

Manufacturers are required to submit recycling plans to DOH for approval.

Recycling plans must describe how the manufacturer will establish, conduct, and manage a program for the recycling of TVs sold in Hawaii. Manufacturer contact information must be provided to the public.

Recycling plans are subject to the following conditions in law:

- No fee shall be charged at the point of recycling if the TV is brought by the TV owner to a central location for recycling.
- A reasonable transportation fee may be charged if the TV manufacturer or manufacturer’s agent removes the TV from the owner’s premises at the owner’s request and if the removal is not in conjunction with delivery of a new TV to the owner.
- Each manufacturer may develop its own recycling program or may collaborate with other manufacturers.

Manufacturers shall implement and fully operate their recycling plans no later than January 1, 2011.

Timeline (Continued from previous page)

January 1, 2011
Deadline for implementation of recycling plans. Information must be available to customers about recycling services.

TVs must be labeled with a manufacturer brand. Manufacturer brand labels must be permanently affixed and readily visible. TVs without a brand label will be prohibited from being sold in Hawaii. In addition, brands must be registered with DOH.

January 31, 2012
Deadline for manufacturers to report total weight of TVs recycled in the previous year. Manufacturers must report annually.

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