Producer/steward obligations by province British Columbia



Regulation	Definition of "producer" or "steward"	Obligation	Share of obligation
BC Recycling Regulation	A producer/steward is a company or organization that meets the following criteria: • is resident in British Columbia (BC). • supplies designated packaging and/or paper into the BC residential marketplace. • is responsible for supplying the designated packaging and/or paper products as the brand owner, franchisor or first importer of packaging and/or paper products. There are exemptions for businesses that: • have less than \$1 million annual revenues in the province. • supply less than 1,000 kg of packaging and paper products to BC residents. • operate as a single point of retail sale • do not operate as part of a franchise, chain or under a banner • are a registered charity. Voluntary stewards: • A voluntary steward is a non-resident brand owner who supplies PPP into a regulated jurisdiction (BC) • Elects to assume responsibility for reporting and payment of stewardship fees for their designated PPP materials. • Enters into a Voluntary Steward Agreement.	Producers/stewards must either: • submit a stewardship plan to the BC Ministry of Environment, or • be part of an organization like Recycle BC that has an approved extended producer responsibility plan that meets the requirements of the regulation, and file reports annually.	100%

Producer/steward obligations by province Saskatchewan



Regulation	Definition of "producer" or "steward"	Obligation	Share of obligation
Household Packaging and Paper Stewardship Program Regulations	 A steward or producer is defined as: the brand owner with respect to the packaging or paper, unless the brand owner is a non-resident owner, if there is no brand owner, the person that first imports the packaging or paper into Saskatchewan, or if there is no brand owner or person that first imports the packaging or paper, the purchaser of the packaging or paper outside of Saskatchewan that purchases it for use in Saskatchewan. Voluntary Stewards A voluntary steward is a non-resident brand owner who supplies PPP into a regulated jurisdiction (SK). Elected to assume responsibility for reporting and payment of stewardship fees for their designated PPP materials. Enters into a Voluntary Steward Agreement 	Producers/stewards must either: • submit a plan, or • be part of an organization like MMSW that has a plan to meet the requirements of the regulation.	75% - transition to 100%

Producer/steward obligations by province *Manitoba*



Regulation	Definition of "producer" or "steward"	Obligation	Share of obligation
Packaging and Printer Paper Stewardship Regulation	 A steward is a company or organization that meets the following criteria: is resident in Manitoba, where it carries out a business, has a permanent establishment or has a resident employee, agent or representative, is a brand owner, first importer or franchisor, uses or applies designated packaging and printed paper to products supplied to Manitoba, or has (including all affiliates and franchises combined) gross revenues of more than \$750,000 from combined sales of products and services (this includes sales to consumer, industrial, commercial and institutional markets). Voluntary Stewards A voluntary steward is a non-resident brand owner who supplies PPP into a regulated jurisdiction. Elected to assume responsibility for reporting and payment of stewardship fees for their designated PPP materials. Enters into a Voluntary Steward Agreement 	Must register and file a steward's report with Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba	80% - moving to 100%

Producer/steward obligations by province Ontario



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Blue Box Regulation Companies that supply designated packaging, paper products and packaging-like products to Ontario consumers are required to collect and manage these materials to achieve recycling performance targets. Producers are defined in several ways:

- A company that supplies packaging to consumers in Ontario and is the brand holder resident in Canada,
- A company that is resident in Ontario and imports packaging for which there is no brand holder resident in Canada, is considered the importer.
- If neither of these two situations apply, the producer is the retailer.

Where packaging, paper products and packaging-like products are provided to Ontario consumers through an online consumer-facing marketplace or forum, the owner or operator of the marketplace. Producer hierarchy for paper products and packaging-like products is defined based on:

- Cascading hierarchy starting with brand holder resident in Canada.
- If there is no brand holder resident Canada, the obligation falls to the importer resident in Ontario.
- If there is no importer resident in Ontario, the obligation falls to the retailer.
- if the retailer who would be the producer is a marketplace seller, the marketplace facilitator is the obligated producer
- if the producer is a business that is a franchise, the franchisor is the obligated producer, if that franchisor has franchisees that are resident in Ontario

Producers resident in Canada that supply packaging and paper to Ontario consumers are fully financially and operationally responsible for their products and packaging at the end of life. Producers have the option of joining a Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) to assist in fulfilling their regulatory requirements.

To join Circular Materials producers can:

- Execute a Producer Services
 Agreement with Circular
 Materials. Contact us to request an agreement.
- Report their supply data and pay fees annually.

Transition over 2023-2025 to 100%

Producer/steward obligations by province New Brunswick



Regulation	Definition of "producer" or "steward"	Obligation	Share of obligation
Designated Material Regulation	 The following producer hierarchy ensures the company with the closest connection to the designated packaging and paper is the responsible party: The brand holder who is resident in Canada whose packaging and/or paper is supplied to New Brunswick consumers is the first person responsible. If no brand holder is resident in Canada, then the importer who supplied the packaging and/or paper is resident in New Brunswick. If no importer is resident in New Brunswick, then the retailer who supplied Blue Box materials to consumers in New Brunswick is responsible. Voluntary Producer A voluntary producer is a Canadian owner who supplies PPP into a regulated jurisdiction (NB) but has met an exemption. Elected to assume responsibility for reporting and payment of stewardship fees for their designated PPP materials on behalf of a producer in the hierarchy. 	Producers need to ensure they meet their regulator obligation by: Registration with Recycle NB (regulator) Execute a Producer Services Agreement with Circular Materials. Contact us to request an agreement. Report their supply data and pay fees annually.	100%

Producer/steward obligations by province Québec



Regulation	Definition of "producer" or "steward"	Obligation	Share of obligation
Loi sur la qualité de l'environnement	The eeq.ca website defines obligated companies as those that: • provide products or services aimed at Québec consumers. • generate containers, packaging or printed matter. • own a brand, name or distinguishing guise. • are based or established in Québec. Producers also include owners of franchises, chains and banners that: • are based or established in Québec, • add packaging at the retail outlet, or • import products or have members that do.	Requirement to join Eco Enterprises Québec	100%