



# Alberta Multi-Family Registry Information Session

June 26, 2025



# Land Acknowledgement



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# About us

- National not-for-profit producer responsibility organization (PRO) created and governed by producers.
- Support producers in meeting obligations under extended producer responsibility (EPR) regulations across Canada.
- We are advancing the circular economy by building efficient and effective recycling systems that:
  - Advance innovation.
  - Increase performance.
  - Deliver improved environmental outcomes.



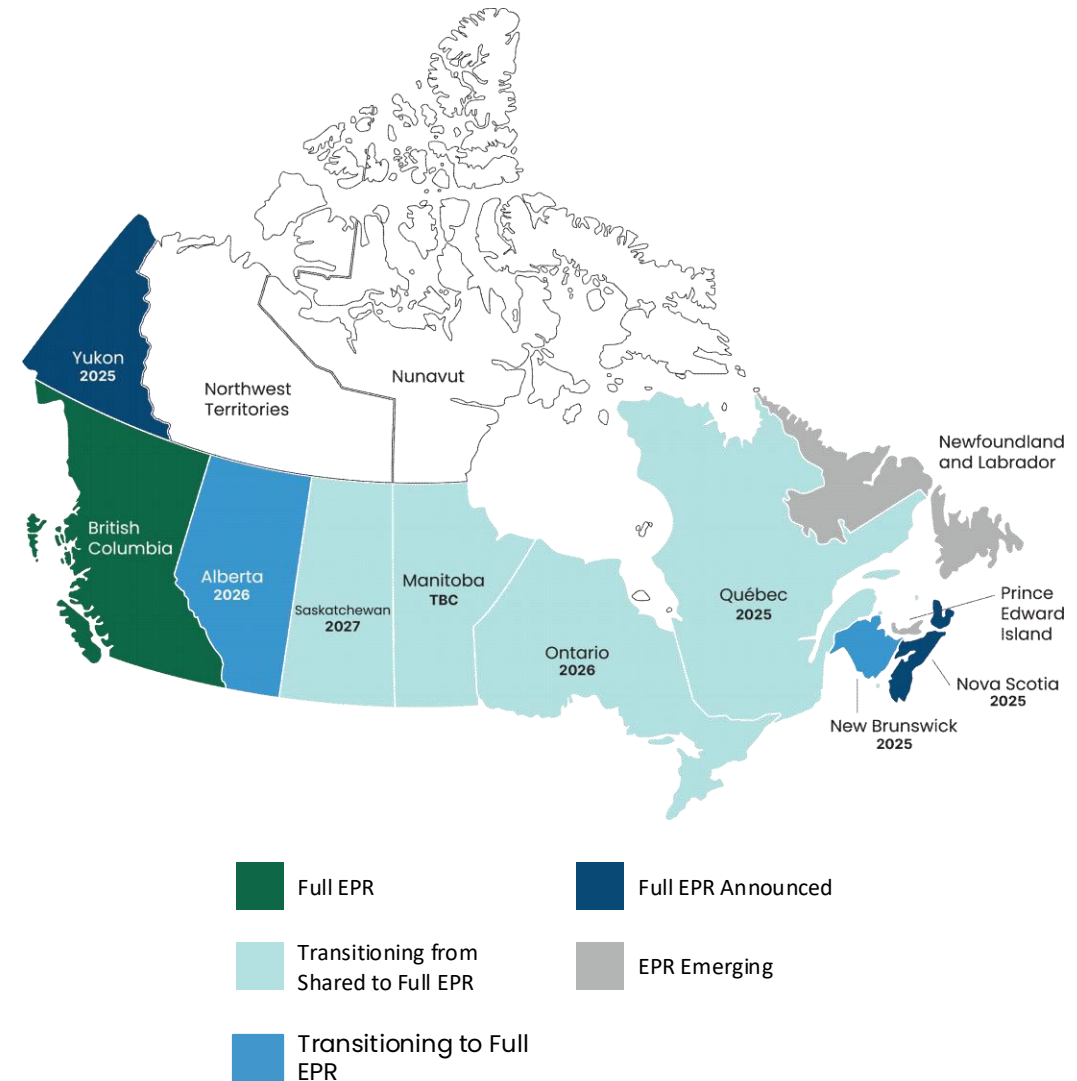
# What is EPR?

- Extended producer responsibility (EPR) is a policy approach in which producers (the businesses that supply packaging and paper to residents) are operationally and financially responsible for the end-of-life management of the materials they supply to consumers.
- Many jurisdictions across Canada are moving to this framework.
- Circular Materials supports producers in meeting their obligations under each jurisdiction's EPR regulation.



# EPR Growing Across Canada

- EPR is gaining momentum in provinces and territories across Canada. Regulations are set provincially and territorially.
- The first full EPR program for packaging and paper in Canada was introduced in British Columbia in 2014.
- Provinces are transitioning their existing recycling programs to EPR, and other jurisdictions are just beginning to implement EPR.



# EPR for Paper and Packaging Products

Circular Materials is responsible for the collection of residential paper and packaging products (PPP). This **excludes all other waste streams** such as:

- Household and commercial garbage.
- Household organics.
- Beverage containers (managed through the Alberta Beverage Container Corporation).
- Industrial, commercial and institutional recycling and garbage.

## Paper & Cardboard



- ✓ News and print paper
- ✓ Boxboard
- ✓ Polycoated paper
- ✓ Gable top containers

## Plastic Containers



- ✓ PET bottles, jugs and jars
- ✓ Thermoform packaging
- ✓ Tubs and lids
- ✓ HDPE containers

## Aluminum and Metal



- ✓ Aluminum food cans
- ✓ Aluminum foil and trays
- ✓ Steel food cans



# Multi-Family Registry Overview



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Circular Materials is excited to expand Alberta's extended producer responsibility (EPR) recycling program for packaging and paper products to multi-family dwellings (MFDs) starting **October 1, 2026**, making recycling more accessible for residents.

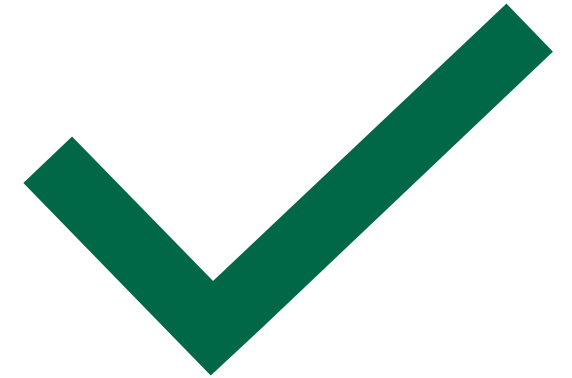
- This multi-family registry will support Circular Materials in determining service requirements, allocating resources efficiently, and ensuring a seamless delivery of recycling services:
  - Expansion to multi-family dwellings (MFDs) that do not currently receive service will transition for October 1, 2026.
  - MFDs interested in recycling services can register through our online registry which will be available on this page on June 26, 2025.



# Multi-Family Registry Eligible Accommodations

Property owners or managers of MFDs in Alberta who wish to receive curbside recycling services should register. Eligibility criteria includes:

- The community is registered with ARMA for EPR.
- The building or complex already receives garbage collection.
- No recycling services are provided, but garbage service is provided.
- Recycling services are organized and paid for by a condominium board, RA (Resident Association) or HOA (Homeowners Association), or apartment building owner, rather than through the municipality.



**Building types include:** apartment buildings, condominium buildings, condominium town homes, trailer parks/ mobile home complexes, single-family homes part of a Resident Association (RA)/ Home Owners Association (HOA), senior living community buildings.

# Multi-Family Registry Non-Eligible Accommodations

As per the [Regulation](#), **institutional and visitor accommodations are NOT eligible** to receive services through this program. These include:

- Licensed care facilities, long-term care buildings.
- Schools, student residences.
- Hospitals.
- Hotel/motels.
- Campgrounds.





# Multi-Family Registry Key Dates

- **June 26, 2025:** multi-family registry opens and will be available on the [Circular Materials website](#).
- **October 1, 2025:** registration for the first intake period closes.
- **October 1, 2026:** recycling service begins for buildings who registered by the October 1, 2025 deadline.



# Multi-Family Services

- **Contract management:** Circular Materials will hire a third-party contractor. This helps establish the system in the province and ensures consistent service levels.
- **Collection and bins:** frequency of collection and the bin types may change depending on what is best for your building type and the contractor that Circular Materials works with. At minimum, we want to maintain the same level of service that you receiving.
- **Promotion and education:** Circular Materials will manage all promotion and education (P&E) strategies and implementation to residents.

# Registration Information



# Multi-Family Registration Required Information

The registration form requests the following information:

- Company or organization name.
- Business registration number.
- Contact information (name, phone number and email).
- Building information (address, building name, town, number of units).
- Do you offer recycling services at this property?
- Information on your current collection contract (current service provider, contract expiry date, contract extensions, frequency of collection).
- Information on your PPP recycling receptacles (type of collection (single stream vs multi-stream), what materials are collected, types of receptacles, number of receptacles, and who owns the receptacles).

# Multi-Family Registration

## Registration opens today, June 26, 2025

1. Visit the Circular Materials website [here](#).
2. Scroll down to the registration form.
3. Complete the required fields.
4. Download the excel form linked in the registration form.
5. Complete all fields and save the form.
6. Upload the completed excel form to the registration form and hit "Submit".
7. You will receive an email that identifies your form has been submitted. Please keep this email as proof of your submission.
8. A Circular Materials team member will be in contact with you within 30 days of receiving your registration form with an update and any follow-up questions.

Watch the [tutorial video](#)

# Municipalities – What Does This Mean For You?

If a municipality is already providing a multi-family dwelling with PPP recycling services directly, this multi-family dwelling does not need to register for service – they already get it.

If a multi-family dwelling utilizes a depot in your community, they are eligible to register for this program as they are not receiving direct service. They should register for service.

## Help us spread the word!

We kindly ask that you download our [communications toolkit](#) which includes a one-page overview, pre-written social media posts, and a poster, and share with your networks.



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- **How do I know if my community has registered with ARMA therefore making me eligible for collection?**
  - Contact your community directly.
  - Contact the regulator, the Alberta Recycling Management Authority. They can be contacted at [epr@albertarecycling.ca](mailto:epr@albertarecycling.ca) or 780-990-1111.
  - Or contact Circular Materials. Please contact us at [ABoperations@circularmaterials.ca](mailto:ABoperations@circularmaterials.ca).
- **What happens if I miss the registration deadline on October 1, 2025?**

To support planning, we ask that you **please register by the deadline date and as early as possible to have service October 1, 2026**. For exceptional circumstances, Circular Materials is currently discussing with the Alberta Recycling Management Authority an interval intake period that will have staggered start dates past October 1, 2026. This is due to the time required to operationalize and implement PPP recycling services in all communities.

# Frequently Asked Questions

- **My community registered for Phase 2 collection and won't be getting service until October 1, 2026, am I still eligible to register?**

Yes, you are eligible for service. Please complete the registration.

- **What happens to my current contract with my current service provider?**

Circular Materials is happy to contract with all eligible multi-family dwellings for October 1, 2026 or a later date determined by your contract expiry. Please review your contract terms with your service provider. Circular Materials requires to take over the PPP recycling service completely.

- **What if multi-family recycling bins are shared with commercial properties?**

Under the regulation, Circular Materials is only required to collect residential PPP recycling. Therefore, all commercial and residential recycling will need to be separated. Please indicate that you share your recycling bins with a commercial property in the notes of the registry.





## Wrap up and next steps

- Register [here](#) for multi-family services.
- Circular Materials will verify your submitted information and confirm your eligibility.

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