

SAFE MERCURY THERMOSTAT DISPOSAL *For Retailers*



As a Thermostat Care collection partner, your location provides a nearby drop-off spot for customers to safely dispose of their mercury thermostats. Thank you for helping to prevent mercury contamination across California!



Mercury Thermostat Collection Steps:



Once you've received your collection container, cut the zip tie and open the container to verify that the relevant materials are included. Make sure the container is placed in an area accessible to all employees but out of direct reach from customers.



Ensure that mercury thermostats are individually placed and sealed in provided Ziploc bags.



Ensure all consumers (not contractors) are filling out a rebate form prior to handing off the mercury thermostat to participate in the \$30 per mercury thermostat mail-in rebate. If the consumer completes an incentive form, place it inside the Ziploc bag with their mercury thermostat to keep those items together for processing.



When a mercury thermostat is dropped off in your container, record relevant information in the mercury collection log (included in our Universal Waste Regulation training material, which also comes with each new container sent to your location). This tracking log needs to be kept at your location and covers the collection records spanning three years.



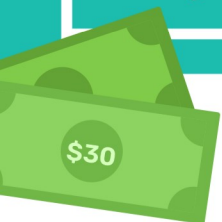
6 months after you receive a thermostat, schedule a FedEx Ground pickup.



To schedule a FedEx Ground pickup, visit their website (fedex.com/grd/rpp/ShowRPP.do) or call (800) 463-3339. Your container has a prepaid FedEx shipping label and envelope inside to send back free of charge. After the thermostats have been processed, you will receive the same container back. If you do not receive a replacement container within 4 weeks, please contact Info@ThermostatCare.org.



When the FedEx carrier picks up your container, make sure you receive a shipping receipt from them, which will have information about the container contents. To be in compliance with program guidelines, you must keep a record at your location about the shipments for at least three years.



California consumers who safely turn in their mercury thermostats to your location are eligible for a \$30 mail-in rebate for each mercury thermostat they bring in!



Reminders for Proper Mercury Thermostat Disposal:

- Mercury thermostats must be managed in a way that prevents releases to the environment (e.g., in a sealed bag inside a sealed container)
- **NEVER** remove the mercury ampule from the thermostat

For more information on how to order an additional collection container or review our materials, scan this QR code or visit

ThermostatCare.org/retailer-wholesaler/

We appreciate your participation and efforts in helping to ensure your community remains safe and aware of risks associated with mercury thermostats.

