

CT Bottle Deposit Redemption Law (Bottle Bill)

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Beginning May 20, Connecticut retailers that fail to accept empty beverage containers for redemption under the law known as the “bottle bill” will once again be subject to enforcement actions by DEEP.

Retailers are planning to resume bottle operations on a limited basis on May 20, with a full resumption of operations by June 3. Details of the phase in will be posted at retail locations and will likely include a daily limit on the number of containers, limited hours to facilitate cleaning, and appropriate social distancing requirements and the wearing of masks.

Full information can be found here:

https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/News-Releases/News-Releases---2020/State-Eyes-Full-Resumption-of-Bottle-Redemption?fbclid=IwAR2V8bRjOv0uCiWd4BBS_fBHyDBWZO0vcFtYDTIxSkWc_T0vyCOJqh4T994

DEEP maintains a list of redemption centers in Connecticut on its website:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Reduce-Reuse-Recycle/Bottles/Connecticut-Redemption-Centers>.

The bottle redemption law is an important part of the State’s material management program. It promotes recycling, reduces litter, and saves municipalities money. It also helps many residents add to their income. This program is a critical program for responsible waste management.