

Beverage Container Recycling

Products and Surcharges

All 'ready-to-serve' liquid beverage containers are part of the refundable beverage container program in Yukon. 'Ready-to-serve' means beverages intended to be consumed by drinking without further processing. When you purchase a ready-to-serve beverage container in Yukon, you pay a surcharge that includes a refundable portion that will be returned to you when you bring the container to a recycling depot. There are three separate container categories that define the surcharge you pay and the refund you get when you return the empty, clean container.

| Product category | Surcharge at point-of- purchase | Refund to consumer | Examples of products |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Milk and milk substitutes All sizes equal to or grater than 30 mL | \$0.10 | \$0.05 | Milk (all dairy including cow, goat, or milk from other animals) Milk substitutes (including soy, almond, hemp, rice, and coconut) Milkshake products Liquid dairy or non-dairy creamer Liquid whipping cream |
| Beverage containers - small Less than 750 mL and equal to or greater than 30 mL | \$0.10 | \$0.05 | Juice Soda pop Alcoholic beverages Coffee drinks and liquid coffee flavouring Fruit smoothie drinks Drinkable yoghurt |
| Beverage containers - large Equal to or greater than 750 mL | \$0.35 | \$0.25 | |







750ml and MORE Surcharge you pay: 35¢ Refund you get: 25¢



LESS than 750ml
Surcharge you pay: 10¢
Refund you get: 5¢



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ALL SIZES
Surcharge you pay: 10¢
Refund you get: 5¢

Product Exemptions

The below products are not ready-to-serve beverage containers or are exempt from surcharges

- Canned coconut milk
- Canned condensed milk
- Canned evaporated milk
- Canned whipping cream / whipped cream
- Powdered drink crystals
- Juice concentrates
- Liquid meal replacement
- Infant formula

No Surcharge

Notes:

- This is not considered an exhaustive list of possible beverage containers for which a surcharge is applicable. Please contact the Department of Environment if you have any questions.
- GST applies to the portion of the surcharge that is not refundable. GST does not apply to the refundable portion of the surcharge.

