



Part 175, Recycling Reporting: Michigan's New ReTRAC & Recycle Search System

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What is **Part 175**

- Amendment to Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act of 1994
- Signed into law March 2016
- Helps the DEQ assess the amount of recycling in our state

Why Do We Need **Part 175**

- 2014-Governor Snyder set a goal of doubling Michigan's recycling rate
- Provides confidential reporting mechanism
- Establishes annual progress reports starting in 2018

Who is affected by **Part 175**

- Recycling establishments
 - Recyclers or brokers of reportable recyclable materials
- Those conducting recycling
 - An action or process, such as separation, sorting, baling, or shipping, applied to reportable recyclable materials for the purposes of reuse or conversion into raw materials or new products

Voluntary Reporting is Encouraged

Reportable Recyclable Materials

- Glass
- Paper and Paper products
- Plastic and Plastic Products
- Ferrous Metals including white goods
- Non-ferrous metals
- Textiles
- Single stream recyclables

Exemptions

- Scrap metal ([Act 429](#) of 2008)
- Motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts
- [Beneficial use by-products](#) ([Part 115](#) of NREPA)
- [Covered electronic devices](#) ([Part 173](#) of NREPA)
- 100 tons or fewer recycled
- End users

Registrations

- Register annually
- Due by July 1
- www.connect.re-trac.com
- Registration: Basic establishment information

RECYCLING REPORTING REGISTRATION FORM

Member: GROSSMAN RECYCLING (Grossman Recycling- TEST) | Year: 2016 | Cycle: ANNUAL

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RECYCLING REPORTING REGISTRATION FORM

Public Act (PA) 55, Recycling Measurement, was passed in 2016. The Act requires recycling establishments, as defined in the Act, to register with the DEQ on an annual basis. Registrations are due by July 1 of each year.

Please complete and submit the following form to register as a Recycling Establishment under PA 55 (Part 175) for the 2016 registration year.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, OFFICE OF WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION, SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT UNIT AT 517-449-6153

Please review the [Registration Instructions](#) by clicking the link.

Recycling Establishment Ownership:

Company Name (Legal Name):

Address:

Contact Person:

Recycling Establishment Information

Facility Name:

Facility Contact Name: *

Facility Contact E-mail Address: *

Facility Contact Telephone Number: *

Facility Contact Mailing Address: * Provide complete address including state and zip code

WDS site ID #:

Program Details

Account Information:

State:

• [Recycling Reporting Registration Form](#)

[Location and Contact Information](#)

Host:

State of Michigan DEQ

Website:

<http://www.michigan.gov/deq>

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Reporting

- Two types of reporters
 - Mandatory
 - Voluntary
- Both report about reportable recyclable materials received and shipped
- Reporting
- Mandatory: Reportable recyclable materials shipped and received
- Data is FOIA protected information
- Voluntary: Wider variety of materials
- Reporting Frequency: Annual vs Quarterly
- Choose each year during reporting cycle
- Annual: Due November 15
 - Report covers activities Oct thru Sept
- Quarterly
 - Q1 (Oct to Dec) due February 15
 - Q2 (Jan to March) due May 15
 - Q3 (April to June) due August 15
 - Q4 (July to Sept) due November 15

ReTRAC System Reporting

- Online system at www.connect.re-trac.com
- System used to register and report
- Tutorials
 - Recycling Law Overview
 - Registering with Re-TRAC
 - Reporting for Mandatory Reporters
 - Reporting for Voluntary Reporter
 - Fun with Recycle Search

Fines and Penalties

- Law does not contain any fines or penalties for not registering or not reporting
- Law was developed in a cooperative manner and we are continuing that in its implementation
- Annual report to the legislature will identify the data limitations that DEQ encounters in its efforts to define the recycling rate

Recycle Search System

- An awareness survey for the electronics program identified that people did not know where to recycle material in Michigan
- Recycle Search is a national database that companies, governments and organizations can use to promote recycling services in their area
- Intended for public use
- Supports our goal of increasing recycling across the state

Recycle Search - Sign Up

- Signing up is simple
 - Create an account
 - DEQ approves the account
 - Complete your profile
- Once the profile is completed and saved to the system, your information will appear in searches for the material that you collect
- Michigan has its own Recycle Search page

Recycle Search – Sign up

Create Your Account

First Name * Last Name *

Email * (Use this to Log In)

Confirm Email *

Password * Confirm Password *

By clicking Create My Account, I agree to the [Terms of Use and Privacy Policy](#) (Updated June 29, 2015.)

Create My Account

If you require technical assistance, [Click Here](#)

Join and participate in prominent national, state/provincial, and local programs delivered by leading sustainability organizations across North America.

Recyclesearch **Tracker LIGHT**

Promote your organization and put the spotlight on your achievements by creating a Re-TRAC Profile. Share contact information, program participation, reports, and more.

Track & analyze recycling and solid waste data to monitor waste diversion and identify opportunities to achieve your organization's sustainability goals.

Trusted by over 25,000 sustainability professionals

Recycle Search – Search Results

- Zip code searchable system to find recycling sites for a wide variety of material
- Upcoming training on how to register and use the system
- We will be doing promotional campaigns to help residents and companies find recycling sites in our Michigan
- We will be encouraging members to keep their data up to date

Recycled Material Market Directory (RMMD)

- A waste to one company is a product for another
- Recycled Materials Market Directory will be developed in Spring 2017
- Business to business focus

Additional Resources

- www.michigan.gov/deqrecycling
- Click on “At Your Recycling Facility” to find:
 - FAQs
 - Statute
 - Tutorials
 - Webinars/Q & A
 - GovDelivery