



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW ILLINOIS E-WASTE LAW

(AS AMENDED BY SB2106 - PUBLIC ACT 97-287)

PROHIBITION AGAINST MIXING E-WASTE WITH OTHER WASTE

Under the Illinois Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act, beginning January 1, 2012, no person may knowingly cause or allow the mixing of any of the following items with municipal waste that is intended for disposal at a landfill:

- Computers
- Video game consoles
- Computer monitors
- Electronic mice
- Printers
- Scanners
- Televisions
- Digital converter boxes
- Electronic keyboards
- Cable receivers
- Fax machines
- Satellite receivers
- Videocassette recorders
- Digital video disc recorders
- Portable digital music players
- Small scale servers
- Digital video disc players



However, residential consumers who violate either the prohibition against mixing electronic devices with other waste or the landfill ban commit a petty offense punishable by a fine of \$25 for the first offense and a fine of \$50 for subsequent violations. Any person or entity that is NOT a residential consumer who violates either the prohibition against mixing electronic devices with other waste or the landfill ban commits a petty offense punishable by a fine of \$500.

Violations of the Act are enforceable by administrative citation; however, fines assessed pursuant to an administrative citation for mixing electronic waste with other waste, or a violation of the landfill ban, are limited as outlined above.

PENALTIES

Generally, a person who violates any provision of the Act or fails to perform any duty under the Act is liable for a civil penalty of \$7,000 for the violation and an additional civil penalty of \$1,000 per day for each day the violation continues.

MORE INFORMATION

Residents may call their hauler for more information or find e-waste recyclers at the Illinois EPA website: www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-waste-recycling/consumer-education.html. For more information about this or other issues, contact the NSWMA's Illinois Chapter at 800-679-6269 or peggy@nswma.org.



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