

The Lifecycle of Beverage Containers

All beverage containers you return to your local redemption centre are recycled. Follow their journey through the recycling process as they are transformed into new containers or other useful products.

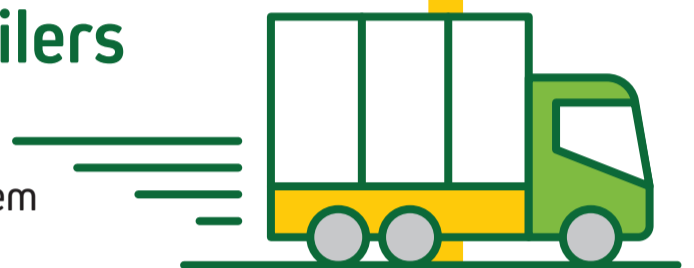


Manufacturing

Beverage containers are crafted by manufacturers using either new or recycled materials from the recycling process. The containers are then filled with your favourite beverages, sealed with caps, labelled, and packed for shipping. The beverage containers are now ready to be sent out and sold.

Shipping to distributors or retailers

Distributors or retailers buy beverages, often in large quantities, from various beverage producers and put them on the shelves of their stores for people to buy.



Sale and consumption

You buy beverages and are charged a deposit fee for each beverage container at purchase. The deposits you pay for beverage containers encourage you to return empty containers to your local redemption centre after drinking your beverages.

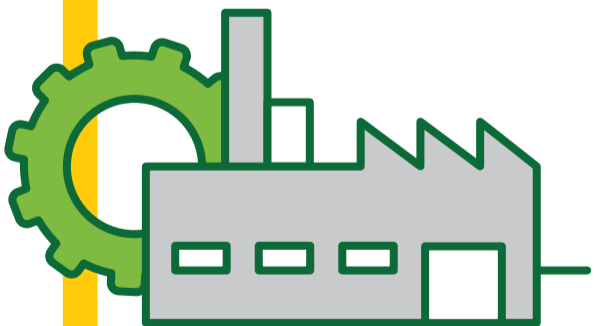
Returning empty containers for recycling

Once you have finished drinking a beverage, you have the option to return the beverage container to be recycled. Make sure the container is empty of all liquids and other waste items, and place it in your recycling bag or bin at home with all your other empty beverage containers until your next visit to your local redemption centre.



Processing beverage containers

Your local redemption centre accepts your empty beverage containers for recycling and provides you with deposit refunds. The beverage containers are sent to processing facilities, where they are crushed and processed into bales. These bales are then shipped to various recycling and commodity markets.



Turning materials into new containers or products

The materials that were once part of your beverage containers are repurposed to create new beverage containers or other useful products.

