1 Fact sheet

Key Steps in the Modernization of Quebec's Deposit-Refund System

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QUEBEC BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING ASSOCIATION

2020

January 2020
The government announces that the deposit-refund system will be modernized

October 2020
The Quebec Beverage Container Recycling Association (QBCRA) is created

2021

March 2021
The *Act to amend mainly the Environment Quality Act with respect to deposits and selective collection* is passed

August 2021–April 2023
Ten pilot projects take place in eight municipalities

2022

July 2022
The *Regulation respecting the development, implementation and financial support of a deposit-refund system for certain containers* comes into force

October 2022
RECYC-QUÉBEC designates the Quebec Beverage Container Recycling Association (QBCRA) as Designated Management Body (DMB)

December 2022
The QBCRA Board of Directors is appointed

2023

August 2023
Amendments to the *Regulation respecting the development, implementation and financial support of a deposit-refund system for certain containers* come into effect

February 2023
Normand Bisson is named President and CEO of the Quebec Beverage Container Recycling Association (QBCRA)

September 2023
Consignaction becomes the new emblem of the deposit-refund system in Quebec

PHASE 1

November 1, 2023
Rollout of Phase 1 of expanded deposit-refund

November 2023
The amount of the deposit is increased and deposit-refund is expanded to all aluminum beverage containers of between 100 mL and 2 L

2024

April 2024
Rollout of a hybrid network of return sites begins across Quebec

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PHASE 2

March 1, 2025
Rollout of Phase 2 of expanded deposit-refund

March 2025
Deposit-refund is expanded to all plastic beverage containers of between 100 mL and 2 L

2025

Underway–March 2027
Rollout of the hybrid network of return sites continues across Quebec

2026

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PHASE 3

March 1, 2027
Rollout of Phase 3 of expanded deposit-refund

2027

March 2027
Deposit-refund is expanded to all glass and multi-layer carton containers of between 100 mL and 2 L

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