



Massachusetts
Department
of
ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION

Section 3: Organic Materials - Diversion *Waxed Cardboard Waiver Form*

Section three (3) of the Supermarket Recycling Program Certification (SRPC) Form requires supermarkets to certify to MassDEP that they have an organics diversion program in place in order to receive certification and qualify for certain regulatory relief. The definition of “organics” includes waxed cardboard.

Typical methods for recycling waxed cardboard include putting it with compostables or separating for collection to be made into different products (e.g., fire logs). MassDEP recognizes that certain space limitations and current market constraints prevent diversion of waxed cardboard at some locations. If a supermarket is unable to recycle waxed cardboard, it must apply for a waiver documenting store or composting facility constraints.

Each Waxed Cardboard Waiver will be reviewed along with your SRPC Form. If the waiver is granted, stores will be notified through the SRPC confirmation letter. If the waiver is not granted, stores will be contacted directly.

To apply:

- 1) Check “a waxed cardboard waiver form is attached” on the SRPC Form (located in Section 3: Organic Materials – Diversion).
- 2) Fill out A and B below.
- 3) Attach signed waiver to your SRPC form.

For questions about the waiver request contact Morgan Harriman at MassDEP at 617-654-6580 or morgan.harriman@state.ma.us or visit www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/supermkt.htm.

A. Signature of Appropriate Authority: I am authorized by this chain or company to apply for this waiver as stated in section B:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

Signature: _____

B. Waiver Request:

Store Name: _____

Store Address: _____

The store listed above does not have the ability to recycle waxed cardboard. Please check all that apply and use a separate sheet of paper if necessary:

I have contacted the following companies who indicated they will not accept waxed cardboard for recycling at this location (for each company please include name of company, address, telephone number and e-mail, if available):

Our organics hauler is unable to accommodate waxed cardboard collection with existing equipment. In addition, I have contacted the following companies who indicated they will not accept waxed cardboard for recycling at this location (for each company please include name of company, address, telephone number and e-mail, if available):

The facility where organic materials are brought does not have the ability to process waxed cardboard. I have contacted the following processors who indicated they are *also* unable to process waxed cardboard (for each processor please include name of processor, address, telephone number and e-mail, if available):

Other – please provide a detailed explanation:

Massachusetts Department of
Environmental Protection
One Winter Street
Boston, MA 02108-4746

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Massachusetts
Deval L. Patrick, Governor

Executive Office of
Energy & Environmental Affairs
Ian A. Bowles, Secretary

Department of
Environmental Protection
Arleen O'Donnell, Commissioner

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