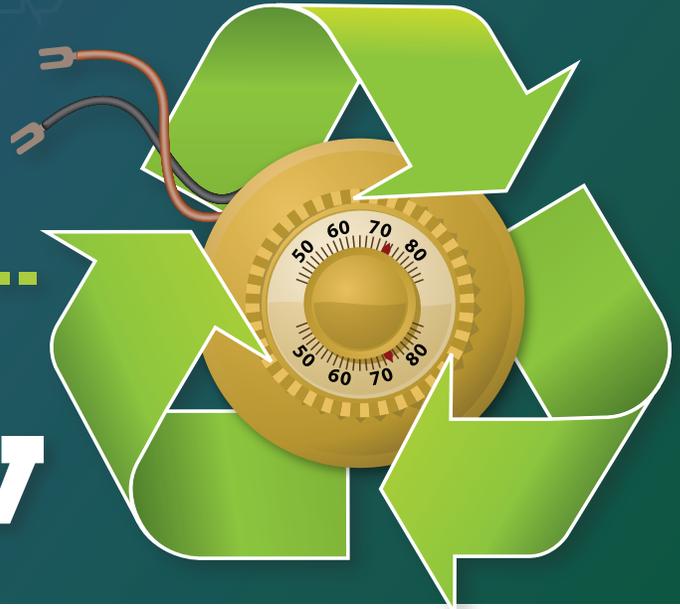


Recycling Mercury Thermostats isn't a choice...

It's the Law



Tossing mercury thermostats in the trash could get you a \$25,000 fine. Sound extreme? So is the damage mercury can do to our health. Mercury is toxic – causing neurological and kidney damage in children, sometimes even death.

Removing & handling mercury thermostats

- **DO** leave thermostat and mercury ampoule (glass bulb) intact.
- **DO** store in a container labeled “Universal Waste – Mercury-Containing Equipment.”
- **DO** take stored thermostats to recycling facility within one year of removal.

For more information, see http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/upload/UW-_thermostats_NS.pdf

Where to take mercury thermostats

Recycling is simple and free. Just take any out-of-service mercury thermostat to:

HVAC wholesalers in California. For locations, use the QR code app on your smart phone or visit:



<http://www.thermostat-recycle.org>

Your local government household hazardous waste (HHW) collection facilities. For locations, use the QR code app on your smart phone or visit:



http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/UniversalWaste/upload/HHW_List_PUBLIC2.pdf

For questions, contact thermostats@dtsc.ca.gov or DTSC's Regulatory Assistance Officers at 800-72-TOXIC (800-728-6942).

- Failure to comply with this California law may result in penalties of up to \$25,000 for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that a violation continues.
- California law requires wholesalers whose business is at least 80% HVAC equipment to collect out-of-service mercury thermostats.
- Information on the non-DTSC Web site linked above is consistent with the intended purpose of the Mercury Thermostat Collection Act. However, DTSC cannot attest to the accuracy of information on external sites. Linking to such sites does not constitute an endorsement by DTSC or its employees.



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