

# Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme eligible container guide

This guide will help you identify if a beverage container can be redeemed through Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme (CDS Vic).

Most aluminium, glass, plastic and liquid paperboard (carton) beverage containers between 150 ml and 3 L are eligible containers. Look for the 10c refund mark on the label to see if the container can be redeemed.

Beverages in eligible containers include:

- carbonated and non-carbonated water, flavoured water, soft drinks, energy and sports drink bottles, cans, and plastics between 150 ml and 3 L
- beer and cider bottles, cans and plastic between 150 ml and 3 L
- pure fruit and vegetable juice bottles, cans, plastic and cartons between 150 ml and under 1 L
- flavoured milk bottles, cans, plastic and cartons between 150 ml and under 1 L.

Some containers cannot be redeemed – these containers are listed in this guide.

You can use the [CDS Vic eligible container search](#) to check if a container is registered.

## Excluded containers

Beverage	Container type and size
<b>Any beverage</b>	All containers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• less than 150 ml</li> <li>• more than 3 L</li> </ul>
<b>Milk plain unflavoured</b>	All containers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• milk from a cow or another animal</li> <li>• liquid milk product</li> <li>• soy or another plant-based milk alternative</li> <li>• low fat milk</li> <li>• ultra-heat-treated (UHT) milk</li> </ul>	

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Beverage	Container type and size
<b>Registered health tonics</b> A liquid included in the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods	All containers
<b>Cordial</b> Concentrated and undiluted	All containers
<b>Concentrated fruit or vegetable juice</b> A mixture of both concentrated fruit and/or vegetable juice intended to be diluted before consumption	All containers
<b>Any beverage in a refillable container</b> A container that is designed to be filled with a beverage and sealed before the sale of the beverage; and provided to a person for re-filling and re-sealing, after the beverage has been consumed	All containers
<b>Any beverage in an aluminium container with a detachable lid that has a ring-pull opening mechanism</b>	All containers
<b>Spirituos liquor</b> An alcoholic beverage, including a liqueur, that is produced by distillation or a mixture of 2 or more alcoholic beverages that are produced by distillation	Glass excluded
<b>Wine</b>	Glass excluded
<b>Wine</b>	Aseptic pack or a cask 1 L or more
<b>Wine</b>	All sachets less than 150 ml and more than 250 ml
<b>Wine based beverage</b>	Aseptic pack or a cask 1 L or more
<b>Flavoured milk</b>	All containers 1 L or more
<b>Water</b>	Aseptic pack or a cask 1 L or more
<b>Fruit and or vegetable juice</b> At least 90% pure	All containers 1 L or more

## Included containers

Beverage	Container type	Container size
<b>Non-alcoholic</b>		<b>Included (exclusions apply)</b>
<b>Pure fruit or vegetable juice (or a mixture of both)</b> At least 90%	All materials*	150 ml to less than 1 L
<b>Fruit and or vegetable juice (or a mixture of both)</b> Less than 90% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ready to drink cordials</li> <li>fruit drink</li> <li>juice box</li> </ul>	All materials*	150 ml to 3L
<b>Water intended for human consumption</b> (carbonated or non-carbonated) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>still</li> <li>sparkling</li> <li>mineral</li> </ul>	Aseptic pack or a cask	150 ml to less than 1 L
	All other materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Fermented milk product or culture added drinking yoghurt</b>	All other materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Flavoured milk</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>cow or another animal</li> <li>liquid product</li> <li>soy or another plant-based alternative</li> <li>low fat</li> <li>ultra-heat-treated (UHT)</li> <li>coffee</li> </ul>	All materials*	150 ml to less than 1 L
<b>Flavoured water (carbonated or non-carbonated)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>sport</li> <li>vitamin</li> <li>energy</li> </ul>	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Soft drink</b> Carbonated	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Alcoholic</b>		<b>Included (exclusions apply)</b>
<b>Beer, ale, stout, cider, sake</b>	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Spirituos liquor</b> An alcoholic beverage, including a liqueur, that is produced by distillation or a mixture of 2 or more alcoholic beverages that are produced by distillation	Glass	Cannot be redeemed
	All other materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Spirit based, flavoured beverage</b> Any beverage that contains spirituous liquor and an additional beverage, ingredient or flavour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ready-to-drink (RTD)</li> <li>seltzers</li> </ul>	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L

<b>De-alcoholised spirit</b>	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>De-alcoholised spirit based flavoured beverage</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ready-to-drink (RTD)</li> <li>• seltzers</li> </ul>	All materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Wine (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)</b>		
A beverage that is produced using the fermentation of grapes and is not mixed with any beverage other than a grape product and includes non-alcoholic wine	Glass	Cannot be redeemed
	Aseptic pack or a cask	150 ml to less than 1 L
	Sachet	150 ml to 250 ml
	All other materials*	150 ml to 3 L
<b>Wine based beverage</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ready-to-drink (RTD)</li> <li>• fruit flavoured wine</li> </ul>	Aseptic pack or a cask	150 ml to less than 1 L
	All other materials*	150 ml to 3 L

\* Most aluminium, glass, PET, HDPE, steel and paperboard drink containers between 150 ml and 3 L are eligible.

Other containers may be eligible, unless listed as an excluded container that cannot be redeemed on page 1.

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