



PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS CONVENIENCE STANDARDS

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WHAT IS A CONVENIENCE STANDARD

- ✓ **Consumer collection opportunities**
- ✓ **Producer end-of-life management**
- ✓ **Product recovery**



HISTORY IN OREGON

- ✓ **ORS 459 – Opportunity for all**
- ✓ **1983 – Curbside**
- ✓ **1991 – Expanded curbside**
- ✓ **2007 – Oregon E-cycles**
- ✓ **2009 – Paint Pilot**
- ✓ **2009 Bottle Bill**



CONVENIENCE ELEMENTS

- ✓ Free to consumer
- ✓ Urban and rural
- ✓ Available
- ✓ Staffed
- ✓ Geographic based
- ✓ Population based
- ✓ Equal purchase convenience
- ✓ Collection variety



CONSIDERATIONS

- ✓ **Public need/demand**
- ✓ **Current infrastructure**
- ✓ **Market influence**
- ✓ **Performance goals**
- ✓ **Environmental risks**



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- In general, what are the priority attributes of a standard?
- How important is urban and rural coverage?
- Using product examples of e-waste, paint, carpet, and batteries how might the attributes and need for a standard differ?



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- How should “reasonably available” be defined using the four product examples?
- Are there products or circumstances where a convenience standard would not be needed?



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- How can convenience standards and performance goals complement each other? Oregon E-cycles is one example.
- Are there products and programs where convenience standards should be considered for other than collection?