

Good morning,

As many of you will be aware, yesterday, the Scottish Parliament voted to approve the regulations for the Scottish Government's Deposit Return Scheme. This final step in the Parliamentary process means the Regulations will become law and confirms a go-live date for the scheme of **1 July 2022**.

Zero Waste Scotland was tasked with advising on scheme design, and supporting implementation, and in doing so we have relied on the contributions of a wide range of stakeholders. As such I would like to thank you for your contribution to the development of the scheme and the Regulations.

[The regulations are available to view online.](#)

Further information is available on our deposit return information hub [depositreturn.scot](https://depositreturn.scot).

Understandably, responding to the COVID-19 pandemic is the priority for businesses and the Scottish Government at this time. Ministers have confirmed that they will continue to closely monitor the impact of COVID-19 on Scotland's businesses and the implementation of DRS.

As Scotland's Deposit Return Scheme becomes law, Zero Waste Scotland will continue to support industry moving forward by sharing information and engaging as needed.

I hope you are keeping safe and well.

Yours,  
Jill Farrell

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