



*"Glass is not waste but resources,"* suggested **Prof C.S. Poon** of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, one of the pioneers in Hong Kong researching on the potential applications of glass cullet in the construction industry.

*"I am proud of participating in glass recycling,"* said **Mr Sammy Yu** of the MTR Corporation, an active player in glass bottle recycling in MTRC-managed properties.



*"We are a major commercial source of waste glass bottles and should play our part,"* said **Mr James Lu** when commenting on the voluntary glass bottle recycling programme run by the Hong Kong Hotels Association.

*"I am bringing new life to waste glass and in turn building a greener Hong Kong,"* cheered **Ms April Lai** when collecting glass bottles in Wanchai's pub and restaurant area through her "Green Glass Green" project.



*"I am glad to see our trainees finding their way to contribute to the better environment of Hong Kong,"* said **Mr Yim Yat-keung** who oversees the "Glass Bottle Recycling Campaign" organised by Hong Chi Association with generous funding support from the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust.

**We Cherish Your Views**

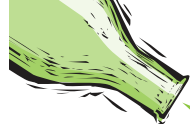
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**Act Now to Recycle Glass Beverage Bottles**

You always have a way to participate ...

- **The Pilot Programme on Source Separation of Glass Bottles** at public housing estates has started operation in East Kowloon and is extending to other areas progressively. Look for more details at [www.epd.gov.hk](http://www.epd.gov.hk) (Tel.: 2838 3111).
- Building management offices: **The Pilot Programme on Source Separation of Glass Bottles** accepts applications for glass bottle recycling bins. More details at [www.ecc.org.hk](http://www.ecc.org.hk) (Tel.: 2519 9173).
- Hong Chi Association's **Glass Bottle Recycling Campaign** has set up numerous collection points at both public and private premises. Check out [www.hcfc.org.hk/gbrc/](http://www.hcfc.org.hk/gbrc/) (Tel.: 3406 3302).
- The Hong Kong Dumper Truck Drivers Association runs the **Green Glass Green** programme collecting bottles from bars and restaurants in Wanchai and Soho. More details at [www.greenglass.org.hk](http://www.greenglass.org.hk) (Tel.: 5316 2907).
- Residents, restaurants and schools in Shatin may join the **Shatin Glorious Glass** programme organised by the Shatin Inhabitants Association. More at [www.sia.org.hk](http://www.sia.org.hk) (Tel.: 2691 8033).
- The Hong Kong Hotel Association has initiated a **Glass Container Recycling Programme for the Hotel Sector**. Interested hotels can obtain more information at [www.epd.gov.hk](http://www.epd.gov.hk) (Tel.: 2838 3111).

Stay tuned for an expanding glass bottle recycling network!



**A New Producer Responsibility Scheme on Glass Beverage Bottles**

**LET'S JOIN HANDS TO TURN WASTE INTO RESOURCE**



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# Framework for Producer Responsibility Scheme ( " PRS ") on Glass Beverage Bottles

At present, a person who carries out a food importation or distribution business must be registered under the Food Safety Ordinance (Cap 612). Do you agree that the recycling fee for the PRS should be collected from those registered food importers and distributors who import or distribute glass-bottled beverages for local consumption? Who else would also be in the position to serve as the anchor point for the fee?

Do you agree that we should now proceed to pursue a mandatory PRS on glass beverage bottles as a priority among different types of glass bottles, because this removes the largest number of glass bottles?

Do you agree that a landfill ban on glass beverage bottles should be introduced? If yes, how it should be refined for better implementation?

GLASS  
BEVERAGE  
BOTTLES

Financial Responsibility



**SUPPLIERS** to pay a fee  
for glass bottle recycling

**GOVERNMENT**  
to collect recycling fee and  
administer the PRS

**CONSUMERS**  
to practise source separation

**PRS CONTRACTOR**  
to manage glass bottle recycling

**RECYCLERS** to recycle  
glass bottle properly

**RETAILERS** to provide glass  
bottle recycling information

Recycling Responsibility



USED GLASS  
BEVERAGE  
BOTTLES

**COLLECTORS**  
to collect glass bottles

Do you agree that beverage suppliers with a satisfactory corporate reuse/recycling plan could be exempted from the payment of a recycling fee? Are you aware of any other stakeholders who should also be entitled to similar exemption?

As a matter of principle, we should ensure that any end-of-life products under a PRS are efficiently collected for environmentally sound recycling processes to produce reusable materials. Do you agree that new licensing control for the processing of waste glass beverage bottles could contribute to the accomplishment of the said objective of the PRS?

For ordinary consumers, do you find it helpful if a beverage retailer could advise you on how to participate in glass bottle recycling? For beverage retailers, are there any practical difficulties that would prevent you from providing recycling-related information to consumers?