Requirements for Contractor and Demolition Professionals

— T H E — Mercury Thermostat Collection Act

O F 2008

The Mercury Thermostat Collection Act of 2008 requires construction and demolition professionals to properly remove and dispose of out-of-service mercury-added thermostats.



Effective July 1, 2009, the law requires the following:

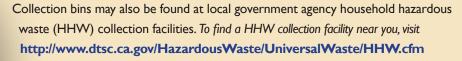
Contractors who install heating, ventilation, and airconditioning components are required to:

- Handle and transport out-of-service mercuryadded thermostats in accordance with the Universal Waste Regulations found in CA Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 23.
- Take out-of-service mercury-added thermostats to a collection location that is operated in accordance with Universal Waste Regulations.

Persons engaged in building demolition are required to:

- Remove out-of-service mercury-added thermostats prior to demolition in accordance with all applicable California regulations.
- Handle and transport out-of-service mercury-added thermostats in accordance with the Universal Waste Regulations found in CA Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 23.
- Take out-of-service mercury-added thermostats to a collection location that is operated in accordance with Universal Waste Regulations.





Failure to comply with this law may result in penalties of up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that a violation continues.

Learn more about the law and the obligations for contractors and building demolition at: http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Mercury_Therm_Act.cfm

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

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