

This document sets out the Authority's 2021 Registry Fees for Blue Box materials and Hazardous and Special Products (HSP).

The 2021 Registry fees are charges that producers obligated under the Blue Box Regulation and HSP Regulation are required to pay to the Authority in 2021 to recover its operational costs, including costs related to building and operating the Registry, and compliance and enforcement activities. This is the first year that Blue Box and HSP producers are required to pay Registry fees to the Authority.

The 2021 Registry Fees for Blue Box and HSP have been set on the following basis:

- Fees are only being charged to producers. There are no fees for service providers or producer responsibility organizations (PROs).
- Variable fees for both Blue Box and HSP are based on weight supplied as per the regulations.
- Blue Box fees are both variable and flat, depending on the quantity of materials supplied. HSP fees are both variable and flat, depending on the material category and associated regulatory requirements.
- For the purposes of fee setting, HSP Categories A and B are grouped together because they have similar requirements under the regulation.
- The annual revenue threshold was added to the HSP fee structure to close the gap between the flat \$75 fee and the variable per kilogram fee assigned to producers whose supply is close to but exceeds the threshold.

## 2021 Registry Fees

### Blue Box

| Registrant                                       | Fee                              |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Producer: < 50,000 kg paper/packaging supplied*  | \$75 flat fee                    |
| Producer: >= 50,000 kg paper/packaging supplied* | \$0.0038 (0.38¢) per kg supplied |

\*The kg supplied for Blue Box material is based on 2020 supply data required to be submitted by producers under the Blue Box Regulation.

## Hazardous and Special Products

| Material category   | Registrant  | Fee                            |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| <b>Category A and B</b><br>(non-refillable pressurized containers, oil filters; antifreeze, oil containers, paints and coatings, pesticides, solvents, refillable pressurized containers excluding propane) | Producer: < = to 10,000 kg HSP supplied**             | \$75 flat fee                  |
|   | Producer: > 10,000 kg HSP supplied**                  | \$0.013 (1.3¢) per kg supplied |
| <b>Category C</b><br>(mercury-containing barometers, thermometers, thermostats)   | Producer  | \$7,500 flat fee               |
| <b>Category D</b><br>(fertilizers)  | Producer  | \$1,000 flat fee               |
| <b>Category E</b><br>(refillable propane containers)  | Producer  | \$1,000 flat fee               |
| <b>Category C, D and E</b>  | Producer with annual revenue in Ontario < \$2 Million | \$75 flat fee                  |

\*\*The kg supplied for HSP is based on an average of 2018, 2019 and 2020 supply data required to be submitted by Category A and B producers under the HSP Regulation. The supply data used to calculate the fee will be the supply made into the sectors identified for that material type in the 2021 rules for stewards under the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) programs.

### Fee payment timeline

When producers register on the Registry, fees will be automatically calculated. Fees are due based on the terms of the invoice.

### Other charges and fees

The Authority will levy other charges as follows:

- A monthly 1.5% late payment fee as a percentage of the fee value
- Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks costs associated with Environmental Review Tribunal hearings resulting from the appeal of compliance orders and administrative penalty orders from affected parties
- Prosecution costs directly from affected parties

### Review timeline

The Authority seeks to find the right balance between the frequency of fee adjustments to ensure the Authority's financial sustainability while providing reasonable predictability for regulated parties. Fees will be reviewed again for 2022 to ensure they reflect the information available at that time.