

Please Recycle PET Bottles



Have you gotten into the habit of throwing away PET bottles with the burnable garbage? PET bottles are designed to be recycled, and empty bottles fetch a high price when properly separated. When thrown away along with the burnable garbage, they not only cost money to dispose of but also contribute to the release of CO₂. Recycling PET bottles creates a positive cycle that helps both the economy and the environment. The Bottle-to-bottle initiative, in which used PET bottles are recycled to make new PET bottles, is continuing to gain momentum. Make sure to rinse out your PET bottles, remove the cap and label, and put them in a recycling box.

The amount of PET bottles included in burnable garbage in Shizuoka City is 2000 tons per year.

**FY2021 estimate; Source: composition survey results*

Collection, transport, and disposal costs amount to about 94 million JPY.

**Source: City of Shizuoka Cleaning Operations Outline FY2023*

If recycled this would create value amounting to 130 million JPY.

Selling price: 65000 JPY per ton (early FY2024)

**Source: Containers and Packaging Recycling Association Recycling Project Bidding Results*

It would also reduce CO₂ emissions by 6500 tons.

**Source: Ministry of the Environment 3R primary unit price calculation method*



In April, the City of Shizuoka signed a “collaboration and cooperation agreement for the promotion of reuse activities” with Jimoty, Inc., a company that promotes “give and take in the community”. The City of Shizuoka will be promoting reuse activities even more moving forward, via the city website and other media.

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