



# State of New Jersey

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Re: Second Extension of Municipal Tonnage Grant (MTG) application deadline to September 1, 2020

On March 9, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued Executive Order #103 (EO 103) declaring the COVID-19 pandemic to be both a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency in New Jersey. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26-15.5(b), the regulatory deadline to file the MTG applications, which contain tonnages of recycling accomplished in 2019, was April 30, 2020. However, due to restrictions and limitations on gathering, causing difficulties in collecting recycling data for the submission of complete and accurate MTG applications by the regulatory deadline, on April 21, 2020, in accordance with AO 2020-05 and the Notice of Rule Waiver/Modification/Suspension Pursuant to EO 103, the Department granted an extension of this deadline to July 1, 2020.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.16(e), each municipality in the State of New Jersey is required to submit a recycling tonnage report, on or before July 1 of each year. On May 2, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order #136 (EO 136) declaring a 60-day extension to this deadline, thereby establishing a new deadline for the submission of recycling tonnage reports to September 1, 2020.


**In order to establish consistent deadlines for the submission of both recycling tonnage reports and MTG applications, in accordance with EO 136, AO 2020-05, and the Notice of Rule Waiver/Modification/Suspension Pursuant to EO 103, the Department hereby extends the deadline for the submission of the 2019 MTG applications from July 1 to September 1, 2020. As such, both the deadline for submissions of the 2019 recycling tonnage reports (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.16(e)) and the 2019 MTG applications (N.J.A.C. 7:26-15.5(b)) are hereby established as September 1, 2020.**

This notification of the extension to the MTG application submission deadline from July 1 to September 1, 2020 will be posted on the Department's Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant and Reporting Forms webpage (<https://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/resource/Tonnage/index.htm>) as well as on the COVID-19 Regulatory Compliance webpage (<https://www.nj.gov/dep/covid19regulatorycompliance/>)

Due to these extended deadlines, applicants will not be afforded an opportunity to submit supplemental information to update MTG reports or tonnage data after September 1, 2020. Accordingly, all information required for a complete MTG application, including 2019 recycling data are required to be received by the Department no later than September 1, 2020. Failure to comply with the deadline of September 1, 2020 will disqualify applicants for a 2019 MTG grant.

Please contact Erin Jensen at (609) 633-1418 or at [tonnagegrant@dep.nj.gov](mailto:tonnagegrant@dep.nj.gov) should you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,



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