

**PLASTIC BULK MERCHANDISE CONTAINER ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 186 of 2012**

**445.2073 Definitions.**

Sec. 3.

As used in this act:

(a) "Dealer" means a person, including, but not limited to, a person that operates a business as a plastics recycler, processor, or shredder or reseller, that purchases plastic bulk merchandise containers from any seller other than the manufacturer of the bulk merchandise containers or an authorized dealer or distributor of those containers.

(b) "Documentation" means a signed statement that indicates where a person obtained a plastic bulk merchandise container offered for sale, indicates that a person is authorized to sell a plastic bulk merchandise container, or provides other evidence that reasonably demonstrates ownership of a plastic bulk merchandise container offered for sale and the source of the container.

(c) "Industrial or commercial account" means a person that sells plastic or plastic articles to a dealer from a fixed location pursuant to a written agreement with that dealer.

(d) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other legal entity.

(e) "Plastic bulk merchandise container" means a plastic pallet, crate, container, or shell used by a producer, distributor, or retailer for the bulk transportation or storage of goods for sale at retail, including, but not limited to, food or beverages.

(f) "Record" means a paper, electronic, or other generally accepted method of storing information in a retrievable form.

(g) "Seller" means a person that sells, barter, or trades a plastic bulk merchandise container to a dealer.

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