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Our Mission & Our Vision

Our Vision

To reduce the amount of waste generated by promoting individual and corporate responsibility.

To create the framework for the recovery and recycling of waste.

To enhance the utilization of waste as a resource.

Our Mission

The Agency aims to foster and facilitate the transition from a linear to a circular economy through the effective governance of recyclable resources.

The Agency will measure its success on schemes and processes that enhance innovation, the lengthening of the resource life cycle and the prolongment of recyclable material on the market.

The Agency strives to influence the local culture and perceptions vis-à-vis the value of resources and reusable waste.

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List of Acronyms

CEMalta	Circular Economy Malta
DRS	Deposit Return System
EPR	Extended Producer Responsibility
EU	European Union
KG	Kilograms
PET	Polyethylene Terephthalate
PPWR	Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulations
QTY	Quantity
RVMs	Reverse Vending Machines
S.L.	Subsidiary Legislation
SUP	Single-Use Plastic
T	Tonnes

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Executive Summary

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By 2025, Malta's Beverage Container Refund Scheme had entered a phase of sustained consolidation, reflecting the evolution of a fully mandated deposit return system within a stable regulatory framework. The year was characterised by continued growth in market activity, consistent public participation, and increasingly structured engagement across the licensed operator, economic operators, public entities, and regulatory authorities.

During the year under review, more than 283 million single-use beverage containers were placed on the market, with over 242 million returned through the Scheme. From a regulatory perspective, collection outcomes across key material streams confirm that the system continues to operate in line with its intended design. PET containers and aluminium cans, which account for a substantial proportion of beverage packaging placed on the market, demonstrated recovery patterns associated with a settled and efficient return pathway. These results reflect the effectiveness of the legislative and licensing framework in supporting reliable marketwide participation, underpinned by appropriate infrastructure provision and sustained compliance throughout the supply chain.

At the same time, the data generated during 2025 provided further insight into material-specific dynamics, allowing the regulatory focus to be progressively refined. While PET and aluminium performance illustrate the benefits of a well-embedded system, evidence emerging in relation to glass recovery contributes to a clearer understanding of how the Scheme's next phase of optimisation can be most effectively directed. This evolving evidence base enables targeted regulatory and operational refinement while building on the strong foundations already underpinning overall Scheme performance.

Throughout 2025, regulatory oversight remained focused on maintaining system stability, accessibility, and confidence. Outcomes observed during the year point to increasing consistency across redemption and reporting processes, supported by ongoing monitoring and engagement within the parameters set by the regulatory framework. Particular attention continued to be given to ensuring equitable access to the Scheme, informed by data trends and stakeholder inputs, and facilitated through coordinated arrangements within the scope of the license and relevant public services.

Governance and compliance activity during the reporting period further reinforced system maturity. The continued reduction in queries and complaints recorded over successive years indicates increasing familiarity with the Scheme among both consumers and economic operators. Oversight during the year remained proportionate and risk-based, with emphasis placed on data accuracy, registration integrity, and placement verification. Strengthened reporting and monitoring arrangements further enhanced traceability across the market, supporting confidence in Scheme performance and transparency.

Taken together, the experience of 2025 reflects a deposit return system that has moved decisively beyond

establishment and into a phase of ongoing optimisation within a stable regulatory environment. Strong results across priority material streams demonstrate the Scheme's capacity to support high and sustained recovery outcomes, while insights gained during the year provide a clear and constructive basis for continued refinement. This measured progression positions the Beverage Container Refund Scheme on a solid footing as regulatory expectations continue to advance, supported by effective oversight, institutional cooperation, and sustained stakeholder participation.



Background

The Regulator

Circular Economy Malta (CEMalta) is the national Regulator of Malta's Beverage Container Refund Scheme (hereinafter referred to as 'the Scheme'), established under Subsidiary Legislation (S.L.) 549.134 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Regulations'). As the Authority entrusted with regulating, monitoring, and enforcing the Scheme, CEMalta is responsible for ensuring that all obligations set out in the Regulations—and in the Licence Agreement binding the Licensed Operator—are duly upheld.

In exercising its regulatory mandate, CEMalta works in close collaboration with the Malta Tax and Customs Administration. This cooperation strengthens the Agency's ability to validate product placement data, address potential under-declaration, and monitor compliance by economic operators across the supply chain, including Producers, importers, Distributors, Retailers, and Catering Undertakings. Through this network of institutional partnerships, CEMalta safeguards the integrity of the Scheme and ensures adherence to the Regulations.

CEMalta's regulatory framework is grounded in the principles of transparency, accountability, and good governance. The Agency continuously monitors the Scheme through data verification, routine performance checks, compliance assessments, and stakeholder engagement. Clear communication channels with economic operators and the public allow CEMalta to offer guidance and support on legal and operational requirements.

The Regulations also empower CEMalta to execute enforcement when necessary. Should collection and

recycling targets not be met, or should compliance obligations be breached, the Licensed Operator may be subject to administrative penalties as provided by law. Through continuous oversight and structured processes, CEMalta remains committed to ensuring a fair, effective, and environmentally responsible deposit refund system that meets Malta's national and EU-aligned objectives.

The Licensed Operator

BCRS Malta Ltd is the Licensed Operator of the Scheme, Malta's first Deposit Refund System (DRS). Licensed under the Environment Protection Act (Chapter 549) and governed by S.L. 549.134, the Operator acts on behalf of Producers, importers, Distributors, Retailers, and Catering Undertakings under the principle of collective extended producer responsibility (EPR). Its responsibilities and obligations are defined in the Licence Agreement signed on 14th September 2020 between the Government of Malta and the Directors of BCRS Malta Ltd, representing the leading stakeholders of the beverage industry.

The beverages covered under the Scheme include all single-use beverage containers whose specifications are delineated in the First and Second Schedules of the Regulations. The Regulations and the Licence Agreement set ambitious Collection and Recycling targets which the Licensed Operator is bound to meet for each material stream covered by the Scheme, as established in Figure 01 below. These progressively increasing targets form the backbone of Malta's national commitment to transition toward a circular economy, culminating in a 90% recovery rate of single use beverage containers by 2026.

Reference Year	Collection Target	Recycling Target
2022	70%	65%
2023	70%	65%
2024	80%	75%
2025	85%	80%
2026 and for every calendar year thereafter	90%	85%

Fig. 01 – Licensed Operator's Collection & Recycling Targets of Single Use Containers in Terms of Weight.

To fulfil its mandate, the Licensed Operator has undertaken significant infrastructural and technological investments. These include:

- ▶ The establishment of Malta's first beverage container sorting plant and clearing centre, enabling systematic processing of collected containers.
- ▶ The deployment of a nationwide network of Reverse Vending Machines (RVMs) across Malta and Gozo, now numbering 348 units, strategically installed to maximise accessibility and user convenience.
- ▶ A comprehensive IT reporting and barcode registration system, enabling accurate product placement declarations and traceability throughout the lifecycle of beverage containers.



Through this infrastructure, the Scheme enables consumers to return eligible single use beverage containers and receive a € 0.10c deposit refund, which may also be donated to charitable causes. The Operator is additionally responsible for maintaining the integrity and performance of all redemption points, both automated and manual, ensuring cleanliness, accessibility, and operational efficiency.

The Licensed Operator must submit periodic reporting to CEMalta, including audited financial statements, management accounts, and detailed data on containers placed on the market, collected, and recycled. These reporting duties ensure transparency, support regulatory

monitoring, and uphold the not-for-profit nature of the Scheme.

Through its operational role, BCRS Malta Ltd continues to play a fundamental part in supporting national environmental objectives, strengthening Malta's waste management landscape, and promoting a culture of responsible consumption and recycling.

Deposit Return Systems in the EU

Across the European Union, DRSs have continued to evolve as central instruments in achieving the Union's environmental and circular economy objectives. With the entry into force of the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) in 2025, EU legislation further strengthened the requirement for Member States to implement mandatory DRSs for plastic and metal beverage containers. This regulatory shift complements the Single Use Plastics (SUP) Directive (Directive (EU) 2019/904), which obliges Member States to achieve a 90% separate collection rate for single use plastic beverage bottles by 2029.

The PPWR provides a renewed framework designed to harmonise deposit systems across the EU, introducing:

- ▶ Mandatory DRS adoption for designated beverage packaging formats.
- ▶ Reinforced recycled content requirements for plastic packaging.
- ▶ Ambitious waste prevention targets: 5% by 2030, 10% by 2035, and 15% by 2040.
- ▶ EU-wide standardised labels and symbols to simplify sorting and improve consumer participation.
- ▶ Flexibility for Member States to include additional materials—such as single use glass bottles or reusable packaging—within their DRS, where feasible.

These developments reflect the EU's drive for more consistent, high-performing systems capable of supplying clean, high-quality recycled material while reducing litter leakage and strengthening circular value chains.

As part of this evolving European landscape, Malta's DRS continues to demonstrate strong performance and early alignment with EU objectives. Building on the foundations of its national Scheme, Malta has already surpassed several EU-aligned expectations. By 2025, Malta's DRS has solidified its position as one of the EU's early adopters and strong performers, reflecting the impact of a fully operational deposit system. Continued improvements in infrastructure, reporting mechanisms, and consumer participation have contributed to steady progress toward the 90% collection target required under EU legislation.

As the EU continues moving toward further harmonisation and integration of DRS requirements, CEMalta remains committed to monitoring legislative developments, ensuring Malta maintains full compliance, and supporting the continuous improvement of the national Scheme. Malta's experience demonstrates how a forward-looking regulatory framework, coupled with strong stakeholder collaboration, can deliver meaningful environmental outcomes while supporting the broader transition toward a circular economy.

Advisory Board

In accordance with Section 8 of the Licence Agreement, the Advisory Board is composed of six (6) members, three (3) representing Circular Economy Malta and three (3) representing the Licensed Operator, BCRS Malta Ltd. The Board continued to serve as an essential governance and technical consultation platform throughout 2025.



Scheme Registration

Regulation 36 of S.L. 549.134 requires the Agency to report the number of economic operators participating in the Scheme. Figure 02 below presents the number of registered economic operators participating in the Scheme as of December 31, 2025, categorised by their role in the beverage supply chain.

The categories include Producers, Importers, Distributors, Retailers, Catering Undertakings, Event Organisers, and Other Organisations. The data provides a comprehensive view of Scheme participation across different business segments, supporting analysis of stakeholder engagement and compliance with regulatory obligations.

Category	QTY of Registered Economic Operators
Producers	12
Importers	259
Distributors	98
Retailers	1,930
Catering Undertakings	3,275
Event Organiser	21
Other Organisations	41
Total	5,636

Fig. 02 – Registered Economic Operators as at 31/12/2025.

Throughout 2025, CEMalta continued its regulatory oversight of the Scheme’s registration obligations as prescribed by Regulation 13 of S.L. 549.134. Under the Regulations, Producers and Importers placing in-scope single-use beverage containers on the Maltese market are legally required to register both their economic activity and each beverage container typology that they

intend to place on the market. In addition, Distributors, Retailers, Catering Undertakings, and Event Organisers are required to register their economic activity with the Scheme.

These obligations ensure that all actors participating in the supply chain fulfil their responsibilities under the EPR framework. CEMalta recognises that the functions and legal duties of each category of economic operator differ, and therefore applies regulatory approaches that are proportionate, targeted, and reflective of each operator’s role.

In line with these responsibilities, CEMalta maintained active collaboration with BCRS Malta Ltd throughout 2025 to support the onboarding of economic operators, improve registration accuracy, and strengthen administrative compliance. This cooperation contributed to sustained industry engagement and improved understanding of the environmental and operational benefits of the Scheme. The continued growth and consolidation in registration numbers, presented in Figure 02, reflect a maturing system embraced by operators across Malta and Gozo.

Regulation 13 further requires that all beverage container typologies placed on the market are registered with the Licensed Operator.

This includes detailed information aligned with the First and Second Schedules of the Regulations, such as:

- ▶ Material type
- ▶ Shape
- ▶ Size and volume
- ▶ Container category (PET, glass, metal)

This information is essential for the correct functioning of the RVMs, which rely on barcode and typology recognition to process returns and issue deposit vouchers.

By the end of 2025, a total of 6,063 new beverage container typologies were registered with the Scheme. Figure 03 below breaks these down by material category, reflecting continued industry compliance and the steady expansion of products available on the Maltese market.

The accurate registration of beverage containers remains critical to ensuring that the Scheme can monitor placement volumes, support fair reimbursement, and maintain high levels of data integrity across the lifecycle of each beverage container.

Category	QTY of Beverage Containers
PET	2,424
CAN	2,466
GLASS	1,173
TOTAL	6,063

Fig. 03 – List of New Beverage Containers Registered with the Scheme during 2025, by material, as at 31/12/2025.

Placement on the Market, Collection, and Recycling



In line with Regulation 12 of S.L. 549.134, BCRS Malta Ltd must submit quarterly data reports to CEMalta detailing the quantities of single-use beverage containers placed on the market, collected, and recycled, aggregated by material type and by weight.

These quarterly submissions form the official dataset used by CEMalta to compile the annual results for the Scheme. reporting contributed to a more consolidated national dataset. Figures 04 and 05 below present the placement, collection, and recycling results for 2025 as reported by the Licensed Operator.

The year 2025 marked the third full operational year of Malta's DRS, during which continued improvements in system performance, stakeholder participation, and data

Material	Placement (QTY)	Placement (tonnes)	Collected (QTY)	Collected (tonnes)	Collection vs Placement (Tonnes) %
PET	173,115,936	4,980.34	148,581,281	4,318	86.7%
CAN	83,445,514	1,159.27	71,534,318	997	86.0%
GLASS	26,820,737	6,831.06	22,223,466	5,650	82.7%

Fig. 04 – In Terms of Quantity and Weight by Material as at 31/12/2025.

Material	Placement (tonnes)	Aggregate Total Recycled by Material (tonnes)	Placement vs Recycled (Tonnes) %
PET	4,980.34	4,299.03	86.3
CAN	1,159.27	997.35	86.0
GLASS	6,831.06	5,684.40	83.2

Proviso:

It is pertinent to note that the data report submitted by the Licensed Operator was updated on 12 May 2026 to reflect the final number of recycling certificates received. No steel shipments were recorded due to insufficient quantities to form a full container. Moreover, the lower quantity of shipped PET relative to collected volumes is attributable to approximately 15 tonnes of loose HDPE caps and labels removed during the sorting process; while remaining stock figures were revised to reflect December volumes released in January following temporary disruptions caused by a baler stoppage and port closure.

Fig. 05 – In Terms of Weight by Material as at 31/12/2025.

Figure 04 summarises the performance of material collection compared to placement on the market as of December 31, 2025. It includes:

- Placement (QTY and T): The total number and weight of PET, CAN, and GLASS materials introduced into the market.
- Collected (QTY and T): The corresponding quantities and weights recovered through collection systems.
- Collection vs Placement (%): A percentage metric showing the efficiency of collection compared to the first placement, calculated based on weight.

The data offers a comprehensive view of material recovery rates, supporting analysis of compliance with collection targets and sustainability goals. While the Scheme achieved collection rates better than the targets for PET and CAN, it achieved a collection rate of 82.7% by weight for glass, marginally below the statutory target of 85%. On the other hand, the Scheme exceeded all recycling targets for all the waste streams.

Overall, 2025 reflects a system progressing steadily towards full maturity. The continued expansion of redemption infrastructure, enhanced operational consistency, and increased public participation have contributed positively to the Scheme's performance. As Malta moves towards the 90% recovery target required by 2026, the results achieved in 2025 provide a strong and encouraging sign of the Scheme's capacity to meet future EU aligned obligations.

Infrastructure

The Scheme continued to strengthen its national infrastructure throughout 2025, supporting the Scheme's objective of increasing accessibility, efficiency, and convenience for consumers across Malta and Gozo. The system remains underpinned by a combination of advanced technologies, strategic RVM placement, and continuous infrastructural expansion, ensuring that the Scheme operates effectively as participation grows.

Consumers may return eligible single-use beverage containers either through Retailers offering manual collection or via the extensive network of RVMs installed nationwide. These RVMs are equipped with high-precision scanning technologies that verify whether a container is in scope of the Scheme and registered, before issuing a redeemable voucher in accordance with the deposit value.

A real time digital map displaying all active RVM locations, including machine availability, continues to be accessible on the BCRS Malta Ltd website, enabling the public to identify the nearest redemption point quickly and conveniently. Containers collected through RVMs are transported to the BCRS Malta Ltd Clearing Site in Hal Far, where they undergo sorting, baling, and preparation for export.

In 2025, the Scheme's infrastructure experienced further development, particularly through investments aimed at enhancing accessibility and expanding the national network of redemption points. Key developments included:

- ▶ The continued expansion of the national RVM network, contributing to improved coverage and user friendliness across various localities.

- ▶ Ongoing enhancements to the IT reporting and barcode registration systems, ensuring accurate product placement data and streamlined communication between Retailers, Producers, and the Licensed Operator.
- ▶ Improved real-time monitoring of RVM performance, enabling the Licensed Operator to identify issues earlier and maintain higher machine uptime.
- ▶ Further enhancement of accessibility under the Scheme through the Mobile RVMs pilot project, implemented in collaboration with the Public Cleansing Department. The door-to-door initiative, allowing people aged 60 and above and Blue Badge holders to request collections, recorded an average of approximately 339 bookings per week and enabled the collection of around 1,025,125 beverage containers in 2025. In parallel, operational support from Public Cleansing contributed to a 5,100-hour increase in the availability of fixed public RVMs within one month, improving service reliability across an expanded network of 30 localities.

As the Scheme progresses into its fourth full operational year, the ongoing expansion and optimisation of its infrastructure reflect a system steadily advancing towards full maturity. The combination of technological

upgrades, increased redemption capacity, and enhanced performance monitoring has contributed positively to the improved collection trends recorded in 2025.

CEMalta, in collaboration with the Licensed Operator, remains committed to ensuring that the Scheme's infrastructure continues to evolve in line with operational requirements and user expectations. The figures below outline the number and distribution of RVMs that were active during 2025, including any installation changes that occurred throughout the year.

Figure 06 shows the quantity of RVMs that were active during 2025, categorised by installation type: Retail, Hotels, Public Hubs, and Jumbo Public Hubs. It provides an overview of the distribution of RVMs across different locations, supporting analysis of infrastructure deployment and accessibility for container return within the scheme.

QTY of RVMs per Category	
RETAIL	143
HOTELS	16
PUBLIC HUBS	143 (includes 2 mobile RVMS)
PUBLIC JUMBO DEPOT	46
Total	348

Fig. 06 – Quantity of RVMs per category that were active during 2025.

Figure 07 lists the public RVM hubs that were active during 2025, including their locality, specific location or street name, RVM identifier, RVM type, and quantity installed at each site. It provides a detailed overview of the geographic distribution and technical specifications of public RVMs, supporting analysis of infrastructure coverage and accessibility for container return within the scheme.

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10069	Hal Far 1	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	70126	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10069	Hal Far 1	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	44981	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10070	Hal Far 2	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	70021	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10070	Hal Far 2	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	44889	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10071	Rabat Hub	Triq Bużugrilla	Rabat	70112	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10071	Rabat Hub	Triq Bużugrilla	Rabat	70130	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10071	Rabat Hub	Triq Bużugrilla	Rabat	44978	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10071	Rabat Hub	Triq Bużugrilla	Rabat	44905	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10073	University Of Malta	Tal-Qroqq	Imsida	064828	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public
A10075	Mqabba Hub	Triq Hal Kirkop (opposite cemetery)	Mqabba	70119	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10075	Mqabba Hub	Triq Hal Kirkop (opposite cemetery)	Mqabba	44924	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10076	Tarxien Hub	Near School – Pjazza Agatha Barbara	Tarxien	70141	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10076	Tarxien Hub	Near School – Pjazza Agatha Barbara	Tarxien	44995	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10077	Marsaskala Church Hub	Near Bring in Site – under Church	Marsaskala	70092	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10077	Marsaskala Church Hub	Near Bring in Site – under Church	Marsaskala	44992	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10077	Marsaskala Church Hub	Near Bring in Site – under Church	Marsaskala	44989	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10078	Kalkara Hub	Near Local Council office	Kalkara	70121	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10078	Kalkara Hub	Near Local Council office	Kalkara	44919	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10080	Qormi BDI Hub	Triq L-Imdina	Qormi	70115	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10080	Qormi BDI Hub	Triq L-Imdina	Qormi	44973	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10086	Żejtun Hub	Triq Toni Żahra	Żejtun	070137	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10086	Żejtun Hub	Triq Toni Żahra	Żejtun	044927	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10087	Żabbar Hub	Triq Villa Abbate	Żabbar	070124	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10087	Żabbar Hub	Triq Villa Abbate	Żabbar	044933	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10087	Żabbar Hub	Triq Villa Abbate	Żabbar	044797	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10088	Qormi Wied Hub	Triq il-Wied	Qormi	70087	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10088	Qormi Wied Hub	Triq il-Wied	Qormi	44971	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10089	Siggiewi Hub	Near football ground	Siggiewi	70131	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10089	Siggiewi Hub	Near football ground	Siggiewi	44939	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10090	Dingli Hub	Near football ground	Dingli	70143	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10090	Dingli Hub	Near football ground	Dingli	44975	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10091	Attard Hub	Triq L-Ghenba	Attard	70120	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10091	Attard Hub	Triq L-Ghenba	Attard	44937	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10094	Gudja Hub	Triq L-Ghejellel	Gudja	70111	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10094	Gudja Hub	Triq L-Ghejellel	Gudja	44901	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10095	Mġarr Hub	Triq il-Ganfra	Mġarr	70136	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10095	Mġarr Hub	Triq il-Ganfra	Mġarr	45060	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10095	Mġarr Hub	Triq il-Ganfra	Mġarr	44991	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10096	Marsaxlokk Hub	Triq tat-Trunċiera Parking Area	Marsaxlokk	70134	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10096	Marsaxlokk Hub	Triq tat-Trunċiera Parking Area	Marsaxlokk	44982	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10096	Marsaxlokk Hub	Triq tat-Trunċiera Parking Area	Marsaxlokk	44931	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10097	Marsaskala San Tumas Hub	Bajja San Tumas	Marsaskala	70138	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10097	Marsaskala San Tumas Hub	Bajja San Tumas	Marsaskala	44987	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10100	Haż Żebbuġ Hub	In front of Local Council	Haż Żebbuġ	70122	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10100	Haż Żebbuġ Hub	In front of Local Council	Haż Żebbuġ	44993	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10101	Xemxija Hub	Near Kiosk – Xatt il-Pwales	Xemxija	70129	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10101	Xemxija Hub	Near Kiosk – Xatt il-Pwales	Xemxija	55460	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10101	Xemxija Hub	Near Kiosk – Xatt il-Pwales	Xemxija	44926	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10101	Xemxija Hub	Near Kiosk – Xatt il-Pwales	Xemxija	44946	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10102	Gżira Hub	Triq ta' Bieb it-Torri	Gżira	70095	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10102	Gżira Hub	Triq ta' Bieb it-Torri	Gżira	45051	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10102	Gżira Hub	Triq ta' Bieb it-Torri	Gżira	44890	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10103	Swatar Hub	Triq is-Swatar	Swatar	70096	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10103	Swatar Hub	Triq is-Swatar	Swatar	44930	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10104	Msida Hub	Triq L-Irmiġġ	Msida	70145	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10104	Msida Hub	Triq L-Irmiġġ	Msida	44976	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10105	Santa Venera Hub	Canon Road	Santa Venera	70065	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10105	Santa Venera Hub	Canon Road	Santa Venera	44986	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10106	Pieta Hub	Triq Joe Gasan	Pieta	70144	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10106	Pieta Hub	Triq Joe Gasan	Pieta	44824	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10106	Pieta Hub	Triq Joe Gasan	Pieta	44977	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10107	St Paul's Bay Mosta Road	Mosta Road	St Paul's Bay	70110	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10107	St Paul's Bay Mosta Road	Mosta Road	St Paul's Bay	55459	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10107	St Paul's Bay Mosta Road	Mosta Road	St Paul's Bay	44936	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10107	St Paul's Bay Mosta Road	Mosta Road	St Paul's Bay	44940	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10108	San Ġwann Hub	Triq il-Qasab	San Ġwann	70023	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10108	San Ġwann Hub	Triq il-Qasab	San Ġwann	44994	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10109	Paola Hub	Behind Local Council Building	Paola	70062	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10109	Paola Hub	Behind Local Council Building	Paola	44942	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10110	Żurrieq Hub	Behind Ġibjun garden	Żurrieq	070083	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10110	Żurrieq Hub	Behind Ġibjun garden	Żurrieq	044941	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10110	Żurrieq Hub	Behind Ġibjun garden	Żurrieq	044920	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10111	BirŻebbuġa Hub	Misraħ is-Summit	BirŻebbuġa	70139	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10111	BirŻebbuġa Hub	Misraħ is-Summit	BirŻebbuġa	44979	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10112	Floriana Hub 1	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	70085	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10112	Floriana Hub 1	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	44896	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10112	Floriana Hub 1	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	44887	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10113	Floriana Hub 2	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	70106	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10113	Floriana Hub 2	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	44938	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10113	Floriana Hub 2	Near Planning Authority	Floriana	44906	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10114	Birkirkara Civic Centre	Outside Birkirkara Civic Centre	Birkirkara	70116	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10114	Birkirkara Civic Centre	Outside Birkirkara Civic Centre	Birkirkara	55465	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10114	Birkirkara Civic Centre	Outside Birkirkara Civic Centre	Birkirkara	44903	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public

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A10115	Sliema Qui Si Sana	Promenade Qui Si Sana near Bring in Site	Sliema	70084	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10115	Sliema Qui Si Sana	Promenade Qui Si Sana near Bring in Site	Sliema	55462	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10115	Sliema Qui Si Sana	Promenade Qui Si Sana near Bring in Site	Sliema	55466	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10115	Sliema Qui Si Sana	Promenade Qui Si Sana near Bring in Site	Sliema	44932	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10116	Sliema Tower Road	Promenade – Taormina beach area	Sliema	70086	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10116	Sliema Tower Road	Promenade – Taormina beach area	Sliema	55381	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10116	Sliema Tower Road	Promenade – Taormina beach area	Sliema	55461	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10116	Sliema Tower Road	Promenade – Taormina beach area	Sliema	44910	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10118	Pembroke Hub	Opposite Maypole	Pembroke	70090	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10118	Pembroke Hub	Opposite Maypole	Pembroke	44893	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10119	St Paul's Bay Dawret il-Gzejjer	Xatt, near Marco Tanti Gelateria	St Paul's Bay	70088	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10119	St Paul's Bay Dawret il-Gzejjer	Xatt, near Marco Tanti Gelateria	St Paul's Bay	55463	Ultra PET	PET	Public
A10119	St Paul's Bay Dawret il-Gzejjer	Xatt, near Marco Tanti Gelateria	St Paul's Bay	44980	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10119	St Paul's Bay Dawret il-Gzejjer	Xatt, near Marco Tanti Gelateria	St Paul's Bay	44988	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10120	Fgura Hub	Triq Mahatma Gandhi	Fgura	70127	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10120	Fgura Hub	Triq Mahatma Gandhi	Fgura	44898	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10121	Vittoriosa Hub	Entrance to Marina	Vittoriosa	70128	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10121	Vittoriosa Hub	Entrance to Marina	Vittoriosa	44922	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10121	Vittoriosa Hub	Entrance to Marina	Vittoriosa	45082	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10122	Marsalforn Hub	Near Public Convenience	Marsalforn	70082	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10122	Marsalforn Hub	Near Public Convenience	Marsalforn	44902	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10124	Gharb Hub	Near School	Gharb	70105	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10124	Gharb Hub	Near School	Gharb	44885	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10126	Esplora	Triq il-Marina	Kalkara	064727	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public

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A10130	Luqa Hub	Hal Farruġ Family Park entrance	Luqa	70107	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10130	Luqa Hub	Hal Farruġ Family Park entrance	Luqa	44891	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10131	Mtarfa Hub	Triq L-Imtarfa	Mtarfa	70043	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10131	Mtarfa Hub	Triq L-Imtarfa	Mtarfa	44816	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10133	Cospicua Hub	Under Bastions	Cospicua	70077	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10133	Cospicua Hub	Under Bastions	Cospicua	44801	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10135	Ta' Xbiex Hub	Yacht Marina (behind Mamma Mia)	Ta' Xbiex	70049	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10135	Ta' Xbiex Hub	Yacht Marina (behind Mamma Mia)	Ta' Xbiex	44904	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10135	Ta' Xbiex Hub	Yacht Marina (behind Mamma Mia)	Ta' Xbiex	45047	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10136	Birkirkara Ta' Paris	Triq Grech Delicata	Birkirkara Ta' Paris	70033	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10136	Birkirkara Ta' Paris	Triq Grech Delicata	Birkirkara Ta' Paris	44802	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10137	Naxxar Hub	Triq il-Kappella ta' Xaghra	Naxxar	70052	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10137	Naxxar Hub	Triq il-Kappella ta' Xaghra	Naxxar	44809	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10138	Marsa Hub	Triq is-Salib tal-Marsa	Marsa	70020	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10138	Marsa Hub	Triq is-Salib tal-Marsa	Marsa	44899	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10144	Santa Lucija Hub	In front of Police Station	Santa Lucija	70108	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10144	Santa Lucija Hub	In front of Police Station	Santa Lucija	44799	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10147	Valletta Hub	Opposite War Museum	Valletta	70140	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10147	Valletta Hub	Opposite War Museum	Valletta	44918	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10147	Valletta Hub	Opposite War Museum	Valletta	44900	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10154	Senglea Hub	Behind Public School	Senglea	64683	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public
A10154	Senglea Hub	Behind Public School	Senglea	64688	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public
A10156	Xaghra Hub	Triq ix-Xaghra	Xaghra	70114	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10156	Xaghra Hub	Triq ix-Xaghra	Xaghra	044934	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10161	Xghajra Hub	Triq Dwardu Ellul	Xghajra	070091	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10161	Xghajra Hub	Triq Dwardu Ellul	Xghajra	044972	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10162	Gharghur Hub	Triq Birguma	Gharghur	044786	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public

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A10162	Gharghur Hub	Triq Birguma	Gharghur	070030	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10163	Clean Malta Van 1	Clean Malta	Clean Malta	064684	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public
A10164	Clean Malta Van 2	Clean Malta	Clean Malta	064731	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Public
A10166	Kordin Hub	Near St Anthony Padua Church Car Park	Kordin	044804	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10166	Kordin Hub	Near St Anthony Padua Church Car Park	Kordin	070055	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10167	Balzan Hub	Wesghet il-Prof Guze Aquilina	Balzan	044817	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10167	Balzan Hub	Wesghet il-Prof Guze Aquilina	Balzan	070135	Optima	PET / Can	Public
A10169	Xlendi Hub	Triq San Xmun	Xlendi	044892	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public
A10169	Xlendi Hub	Triq San Xmun	Xlendi	070056	Optima	PET / Can	Public

Fig. 07 – Public RVMs that were active during 2025.

Figure 08 provides details of Quantum-branded public RVMs that were active during 2025, including their locality, specific location or street name, RVM identifier, RVM type, and quantity installed at each site. It offers a focused view of Quantum RVM deployment within public spaces, supporting analysis of infrastructure distribution and accessibility for container return under the Scheme.

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation Type
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	90206	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	70132	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	55467	Ultra PET	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	35179	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	44923	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10093	Luxol Depot	Pembroke Park & Ride	Pembroke	44970	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10098	Mellieha Depot	Opposite Welbees in Parking	Mellieha	90211	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10098	Mellieha Depot	Opposite Welbees in Parking	Mellieha	70142	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10098	Mellieha Depot	Opposite Welbees in Parking	Mellieha	35199	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation Type
A10098	Mellieha Depot	Opposite Welbees in Parking	Mellieha	44997	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10123	Xewkija Depot	Xewkija Industrial Park	Xewkija	90229	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10123	Xewkija Depot	Xewkija Industrial Park	Xewkija	70017	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10123	Xewkija Depot	Xewkija Industrial Park	Xewkija	44782	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10123	Xewkija Depot	Xewkija Industrial Park	Xewkija	44985	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10148	Marsa Depot	Marsa Industrial Park	Marsa	90222	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10148	Marsa Depot	Marsa Industrial Park	Marsa	70125	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10148	Marsa Depot	Marsa Industrial Park	Marsa	35178	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10148	Marsa Depot	Marsa Industrial Park	Marsa	45052	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10148	Marsa Depot	Marsa Industrial Park	Marsa	45037	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10149	San Ġwann Depot	San Ġwann Industrial Park	San Ġwann	90218	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10149	San Ġwann Depot	San Ġwann Industrial Park	San Ġwann	70028	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10149	San Ġwann Depot	San Ġwann Industrial Park	San Ġwann	35176	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10149	San Ġwann Depot	San Ġwann Industrial Park	San Ġwann	45050	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10150	Hal Far Depot	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	90189	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10150	Hal Far Depot	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	70053	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10150	Hal Far Depot	BCRS Clearing Centre	Hal Far	44811	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10151	Bulebel Depot	Bulebel Industrial Park	Bulebel	90228	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10151	Bulebel Depot	Bulebel Industrial Park	Bulebel	70147	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10151	Bulebel Depot	Bulebel Industrial Park	Bulebel	35197	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10151	Bulebel Depot	Bulebel Industrial Park	Bulebel	45035	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10151	Bulebel Depot	Bulebel Industrial Park	Bulebel	44996	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	90232	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	70117	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation Type
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	35175	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	55458	Ultra PET	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	44888	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10152	Ta' Qali Depot	Near Farmer's Market – Triq San Gakbu	Ta' Qali	44907	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10153	Kirkop Depot	Sports Centre	Kirkop	90231	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10153	Kirkop Depot	Sports Centre	Kirkop	35183	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10153	Kirkop Depot	Sports Centre	Kirkop	144996	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10153	Kirkop Depot	Sports Centre	Kirkop	55468	Ultra PET	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10165	Salini Depot	Salina Nature Reserve	Salini	035177	Ultra Can	Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10165	Salini Depot	Salina Nature Reserve	Salini	090230	Quantum	PET	Public Jumbo Depot
A10165	Salini Depot	Salina Nature Reserve	Salini	044921	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot
A10165	Salini Depot	Salina Nature Reserve	Salini	070048	Optima	PET / Can	Public Jumbo Depot
A10165	Salini Depot	Salina Nature Reserve	Salini	045081	Ultra Glass	Glass	Public Jumbo Depot

Fig. 08 – Quantum – Public RVMs that were active during 2025.

Figure 09 lists the Retail RVMs that were active during 2025, including details such as locality, specific location or street name, RVM identifier, RVM type, and quantity installed at each retail site. It provides a comprehensive overview of RVM deployment within retail environments, supporting analysis of infrastructure coverage and accessibility for container return under the Scheme.

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10002	Alfsons	Manuel Magri Street	Hamrun	070041	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10002	Alfsons	Manuel Magri Street	Hamrun	044807	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10003	Antonio Piscopo Wines & Spirits	Triq Haż Żabbar	Paola	070050	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10003	Antonio Piscopo Wines & Spirits	Triq Haż Żabbar	Paola	055396	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10003	Antonio Piscopo Wines & Spirits	Triq Haż Żabbar	Paola	044826	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10004	Corner Foodstore	Triq il-Qasam	Swieqi	070029	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10004	Corner Foodstore	Triq il-Qasam	Swieqi	044787	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10005	Favell Wines and Spirits	Guido Vella Cash & Carry, Triq Amleto Spiteri	Qormi	070039	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10005	Favell Wines and Spirits	Guido Vella Cash & Carry, Triq Amleto Spiteri	Qormi	044831	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10006	Welbee's Santa Venera	Psaila Street	Santa Venera	070047	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10006	Welbee's Santa Venera	Psaila Street	Santa Venera	055388	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10006	Welbee's Santa Venera	Psaila Street	Santa Venera	044796	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10007	Piscopo Cash and Carry	Triq l-Erba' Mwieżeb	St Paul's Bay	070035	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10007	Piscopo Cash and Carry	Triq l-Erba' Mwieżeb	St Paul's Bay	055380	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10007	Piscopo Cash and Carry	Triq l-Erba' Mwieżeb	St Paul's Bay	044832	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10008	Smart Supermarket	Naxxar Road	Birkirkara	070054	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10008	Smart Supermarket	Naxxar Road	Birkirkara	055397	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10008	Smart Supermarket	Naxxar Road	Birkirkara	055387	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10008	Smart Supermarket	Naxxar Road	Birkirkara	055385	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10008	Smart Supermarket	Naxxar Road	Birkirkara	044779	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10009	Welbee's Naxxar	Parish Street	Naxxar	070059	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10009	Welbee's Naxxar	Parish Street	Naxxar	044834	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10010	Welbee's Mellieha	Triq il-Kbira	Mellieha	070057	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10010	Welbee's Mellieha	Triq il-Kbira	Mellieha	044800	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10011	Tal-Kawwar Cash and Carry	St Theresa Street	Hal Ghaxaq	070046	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10011	Tal-Kawwar Cash and Carry	St Theresa Street	Hal Ghaxaq	044830	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail

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A10012	PAMA Supermarket	Valletta Road	Mosta	070032	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10012	PAMA Supermarket	Valletta Road	Mosta	055395	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10012	PAMA Supermarket	Valletta Road	Mosta	055390	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10012	PAMA Supermarket	Valletta Road	Mosta	055404	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10012	PAMA Supermarket	Valletta Road	Mosta	044823	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10013	Welbees Pendergardens	Triq Sant'Andrija	St Julian's	070058	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10013	Welbees Pendergardens	Triq Sant'Andrija	St Julian's	044814	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10014	Arkadia St Julian's	Church Street, Portomaso	St Julian's	70061	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10014	Arkadia St Julian's	Church Street, Portomaso	St Julian's	044810	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10016	Welbees Sliema	High Street	Sliema	70060	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10016	Welbees Sliema	High Street	Sliema	044822	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10017	Savemart	Tal-Balal Road	San Ġwann	64687	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10018	Carters Supermarket	Triq Hal Luqa	Tarxien	70040	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10018	Carters Supermarket	Triq Hal Luqa	Tarxien	044805	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10020	Dave's Supermarket	Imdina Road	Haż Żebbuġ	64730	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10021	Eurosaver	Triq Censu Tanti	St Paul's Bay	70123	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10021	Eurosaver	Triq Censu Tanti	St Paul's Bay	044974	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10023	SPAR Marsaxlokk	Triq Melqart	Marsaxlokk	064735	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10025	SPAR Hamrun	Daniel's Shopping Mall	Hamrun	64686	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10025	SPAR Hamrun	Daniel's Shopping Mall	Hamrun	64691	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10026	Farsons Direct	Mdina Road	Mrieħel	070038	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10026	Farsons Direct	Mdina Road	Mrieħel	044819	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10027	Joseph Sultana	Triq San Edwardu	Qormi	070044	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10027	Joseph Sultana	Triq San Edwardu	Qormi	044813	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10028	Foodbox	Dun F Camilleri Street	Hamrun	70031	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10028	Foodbox	Dun F Camilleri Street	Hamrun	044825	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10029	PAVI Supermarket	Manuel Dimech Street	Qormi	70034	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10029	PAVI Supermarket	Manuel Dimech Street	Qormi	55392	Ultra PET	PET	Retail

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A10029	PAVI Supermarket	Manuel Dimech Street	Qormi	55389	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10029	PAVI Supermarket	Manuel Dimech Street	Qormi	044784	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10030	Modern Store	Triq il-Vitorja	Qormi	64693	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10031	G&G Self Service	Victor Vassallo Street	Attard	64696	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10033	Ta' Karla	Vincenzo Ciappara Street	Rabat	70036	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10033	Ta' Karla	Vincenzo Ciappara Street	Rabat	044815	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10037	Greens Swieqi	Triq il-Uqija	Swieqi	70051	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10037	Greens Swieqi	Triq il-Uqija	Swieqi	044780	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10039	LIDL Qormi	Triq I-Iljun	Qormi	70064	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10039	LIDL Qormi	Triq I-Iljun	Qormi	55406	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10039	LIDL Qormi	Triq I-Iljun	Qormi	55402	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10039	LIDL Qormi	Triq I-Iljun	Qormi	55408	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10039	LIDL Qormi	Triq I-Iljun	Qormi	044851	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10041	Ta' Dirjanu Victoria	Pope St John Paul II Street	Victoria Gozo	70067	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10041	Ta' Dirjanu Victoria	Pope St John Paul II Street	Victoria Gozo	44852	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10042	G&R Warehouse	Triq il-Kapuċċini	St Paul's Bay	70027	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10042	G&R Warehouse	Triq il-Kapuċċini	St Paul's Bay	44821	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10044	Greens Victoria	The Duke's Shopping Mall	Victoria Gozo	64732	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10045	Welbee's Spinola	Spinola Park	St Julian's	70072	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10045	Welbee's Spinola	Spinola Park	St Julian's	44833	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10046	LIDL Żejtun	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	70069	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10046	LIDL Żejtun	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	55430	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10046	LIDL Żejtun	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	55403	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10046	LIDL Żejtun	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	55391	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10046	LIDL Żejtun	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	44850	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10047	LIDL Sliema	Amery Street	Sliema	70070	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10047	LIDL Sliema	Amery Street	Sliema	44818	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10047	LIDL Sliema	Amery Street	Sliema	55386	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10048	LIDL Safi	Triq San Ġwann	Safi	70073	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10048	LIDL Safi	Triq San Ġwann	Safi	55431	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10048	LIDL Safi	Triq San Ġwann	Safi	55432	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10048	LIDL Safi	Triq San Ġwann	Safi	44812	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10049	LIDL Luqa	Triq il-Karmnu	Luqa	70042	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10049	LIDL Luqa	Triq il-Karmnu	Luqa	55382	Ultra PET	PET	Retail

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A10049	LIDL Luqa	Triq il-Karmnu	Luqa	55383	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10049	LIDL Luqa	Triq il-Karmnu	Luqa	55394	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10049	LIDL Luqa	Triq il-Karmnu	Luqa	44798	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10050	LIDL Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	70045	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10050	LIDL Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	55410	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10050	LIDL Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	55407	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10050	LIDL Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	55409	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10050	LIDL Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	44781	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10052	Welbee's St Paul's Bay	Triq il-Merluzz	Qawra	70037	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10052	Welbee's St Paul's Bay	Triq il-Merluzz	Qawra	44783	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10053	LIDL Gozo	Triq San Leonardu	Xewkija Gozo	70098	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10053	LIDL Gozo	Triq San Leonardu	Xewkija Gozo	55330	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10053	LIDL Gozo	Triq San Leonardu	Xewkija Gozo	55378	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10053	LIDL Gozo	Triq San Leonardu	Xewkija Gozo	55401	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10053	LIDL Gozo	Triq San Leonardu	Xewkija Gozo	44785	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10054	Joseph Camilleri Supplies	Triq San Blas	Nadur Gozo	70093	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10054	Joseph Camilleri Supplies	Triq San Blas	Nadur Gozo	44806	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10055	Chain Supermarket	Triq is-Sur	Fgura	70146	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10055	Chain Supermarket	Triq is-Sur	Fgura	44854	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10056	Gigi's Valletta	St Nicholas Street	St Paul's Bay	64737	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10057	Lighthouse Supermarket	Triq il-Qbajjar	Marsalforn Gozo	70109	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10057	Lighthouse Supermarket	Triq il-Qbajjar	Marsalforn Gozo	44990	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10058	SPAR Bugibba	Triq ix-Xitwa	Bugibba	64728	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10060	LIDL San Ġwann	Triq ic-Ċiklamini	San Ġwann	70063	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10060	LIDL San Ġwann	Triq ic-Ċiklamini	San Ġwann	55379	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10060	LIDL San Ġwann	Triq ic-Ċiklamini	San Ġwann	44820	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10061	J Micallef Cash & Carry	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	70071	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10061	J Micallef Cash & Carry	Tal-Barrani Road	Żejtun	44803	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10062	LIDL Santa Venera	Triq il-Kappillan Mifsud	Santa Venera	70019	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10062	LIDL Santa Venera	Triq il-Kappillan Mifsud	Santa Venera	70018	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10062	LIDL Santa Venera	Triq il-Kappillan Mifsud	Santa Venera	55384	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10062	LIDL Santa Venera	Triq il-Kappillan Mifsud	Santa Venera	44894	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10062	LIDL Santa Venera	Triq il-Kappillan Mifsud	Santa Venera	44755	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10072	Chain Żabbar	Triq l-Inasa	Żabbar	64681	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10074	Greens Quad	Quad Business Centre, Central Business District	Mrieħel	70133	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10074	Greens Quad	Quad Business Centre, Central Business District	Mrieħel	70068	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10074	Greens Quad	Quad Business Centre, Central Business District	Mrieħel	55464	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10074	Greens Quad	Quad Business Centre, Central Business District	Mrieħel	44853	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10081	Iceland Foods	Dawret il-Qawra	Qawra	64682	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10083	Welbee's Campus Hub	Campus Hub, University of Malta, Tal-Qroqq	Msida	70025	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10083	Welbee's Campus Hub	Campus Hub, University of Malta, Tal-Qroqq	Msida	44897	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10125	LIDL Burmarrad	Triq Burmarrad	St Paul's Bay	70081	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10125	LIDL Burmarrad	Triq Burmarrad	St Paul's Bay	44909	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10127	Ta Dirjanu Ghajnsielem	Mġarr Road	Għajnsielem Gozo	70066	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10127	Ta Dirjanu Ghajnsielem	Mġarr Road	Għajnsielem Gozo	44908	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10155	Eurospin Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	70074	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10155	Eurospin Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	70076	Optima	PET / Can	Retail
A10155	Eurospin Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	55469	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10155	Eurospin Mosta	Triq id-Difiża Ċivili	Mosta	044883	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10158	Arkadia Gozo	Arkadia Shopping Mall	Victoria Gozo	064734	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10158	Arkadia Gozo	Arkadia Shopping Mall	Victoria Gozo	064694	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Retail
A10160	Lidl Żebbuġ	Imdina Road	St Paul's Bay	044895	Ultra Glass	Glass	Retail
A10160	Lidl Żebbuġ	Imdina Road	St Paul's Bay	055393	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10160	Lidl Żebbuġ	Imdina Road	St Paul's Bay	055405	Ultra PET	PET	Retail
A10160	Lidl Żebbuġ	Imdina Road	St Paul's Bay	070089	Optima	PET / Can	Retail

Fig. 09 – Retail RVMs that were active during 2025.



Figure 10 lists the Hotel RVMs that were active during 2025, including details such as locality, specific location or street name, RVM identifier, RVM type, and quantity installed at each hotel site. It provides an overview of RVM deployment within hospitality establishments, supporting analysis of infrastructure coverage and accessibility for container return in line with the scheme's objectives.

Site ID	Site Name	Street	Locality	Serial Number	RVM Type	Material Processed	Location Installation TYPE
A10015	Corinthia San Ġorġ	St George's Bay	St Julian's	064698	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10015	Corinthia San Ġorġ	St George's Bay	St Julian's	064695	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10019	Intercontinental Hotel	St George's Bay	St Julian's	064738	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10019	Intercontinental Hotel	St George's Bay	St Julian's	064729	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10035	Hilton Malta	Vjal Portomaso	St Julian's	064689	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10035	Hilton Malta	Vjal Portomaso	St Julian's	064726	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10065	DB Seabank	Marfa Road	Mellieha	044925	Ultra Glass	Glass	Hotel
A10065	DB Seabank	Marfa Road	Mellieha	070097	Optima	PET / Can	Hotel
A10067	Grand Hotel Excelsior	Great Siege Road	Floriana	064692	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10082	Westin Dragonara	Dragonara Road	St Julian's	064733	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10082	Westin Dragonara	Dragonara Road	St Julian's	064699	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10084	The Victoria Hotel	AX Hotels	Sliema	064685	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10129	Seashells Resort	Dawret il-Qawra	St Pauls Bay	064736	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel
A10159	Mercury Towers	St George's Road	St Julian's	070022	Optima	PET / Can	Hotel
A10159	Mercury Towers	St George's Road	St Julian's	044886	Ultra Glass	Glass	Hotel
A10168	Bay Street	Triq Sqaq Lourdes	St Paul's Bay	064700	Flex-Tri	PET / Can / Glass	Hotel

Fig. 10 – Hotel RVMs that were active during 2025.



As the national regulator, CEMalta remains committed to ensuring that the Scheme remains accessible, inclusive, and responsive to the evolving needs of the public. Throughout 2025, the Agency continued to focus on enhancing the usability and reach of the Scheme’s infrastructure, acknowledging its central role in supporting high collection and recycling performance.

During the year under review, CEMalta engaged in ongoing discussions with the Licensed Operator and relevant Government entities to explore opportunities for improving accessibility across different localities and societal groups. These discussions included potential infrastructure adjustments such as the relocation, redistribution, or addition of RVMs to better manage consumer demand—particularly during peak periods, including the summer months when container consumption and returns typically increase. This strategic approach ensures that the Scheme remains convenient for users while maintaining the operational efficiency required to sustain a growing national redemption network.

Building on accessibility initiatives from previous years, CEMalta continued to collaborate with stakeholders representing citizens with diverse needs, including individuals with mobility challenges and the visually impaired. These consultations informed ongoing efforts to identify practical enhancements to RVM interfaces, site accessibility, machine positioning, and overall user

experience. Such improvements contribute to making the Scheme increasingly inclusive, ensuring that all citizens can participate fully and independently in Malta’s circular economy transition.

As the Scheme expands, CEMalta remains vigilant in monitoring community feedback and operational performance indicators. This allows the Agency to identify emerging infrastructural needs and ensure appropriate follow-up with the Licensed Operator, especially in residential areas or high traffic zones where machine usage patterns may require tailored interventions by the Licensed Operator.

Figure 11 presents the aggregate quantity of beverage containers collected by RVMs as of the end of 2025, categorised by material type: PET, CAN, and GLASS. It includes two key metrics:

- ▶ RVM Collection (QTY): The total number of containers collected.
- ▶ RVM Collection (Tonnes): The corresponding weight of collected containers.

The data provides insight into the volume and weight of materials recovered through RVMs, supporting performance evaluation of the container return scheme and progress toward collection targets.

Material	RVM Collection (QTY)	RVM Collection (Tonnes)
PET	133,474,063	3,908.2
CAN	61,339,059	858.2
GLASS	14,293,648	3,503.3
TOTAL	209,106,770	8,270.2

Fig. 11 – Collection by RVMs that were active during 2025.

Manual Collection

Regulation 18 of S.L. 549.134 requires that retail establishments implement a system for the return of single-use beverage containers. In instances where an RVM is not installed per Regulation 16, Retailers are legally obliged to accept manual returns, thereby ensuring that consumers have access to at least one compliant return option regardless of retail size, location, or infrastructure.

Throughout 2025, manual collection continued to serve as an essential complement to the nationwide RVM network. This system is particularly important in localities where space constraints, commercial layouts, or operational considerations render RVM installation impracticable. Manual collection also provides an alternative return route during peak seasonal periods and in situations where RVM queues or temporary machine downtime eventually occur.

Figure 12 presents the manual collection figures for single-use beverage containers as at December 31, 2025, in compliance with Regulation 18 of S.L. 549.134, which requires retail establishments to accept manual returns where RVMs are not available.

The data is categorised by material type—PET, CAN, and GLASS—and includes:

- ▶ **Manual Collection (QTY):** The total number of containers collected manually.
- ▶ **Manual Collection (T):** The corresponding weight of collected containers.

The figures show significant volumes handled through manual collection, highlighting its role in complementing automated systems and ensuring compliance with container return obligations.

As the Scheme progresses toward the 90% collection target set for 2026, manual collection continues to play a vital role in ensuring coverage, accessibility, and consumer convenience. CEMalta will continue to monitor retailer compliance, assess trends in manual return behaviours, and collaborate with stakeholders to maintain high standards of service delivery and operational consistency across all return channels.



Material	Manual Collection (QTY)	Manual Collection (Tonnes)
PET	15,107,218	409.3
CAN	10,195,259	139.3
GLASS	7,929,818	2,146.2
TOTAL	33,232,293	2,694.8

Fig. 12 – Manual Collection Figures in terms of Quantity (QTY) and Weight as at 31/12/2025.

Exemptions

Refillable beverage containers continued to play a central role in advancing Malta’s circular economy objectives throughout 2025. Designed for multiple reuse cycles, these containers significantly reduce the demand for new packaging materials, minimise waste generation, and lower the environmental footprint associated with beverage consumption. By extending container life cycles, refillable systems uphold key principles of resource efficiency, waste prevention, and sustainable consumption.

In line with Part IV of Subsidiary Legislation 549.134, Producers who operate an established refillable system for the collection and reuse of beverage containers shall apply for exemption from the Scheme. Exemptions are granted per product typology, and each refillable container typology must be formally registered with CEMalta to obtain exemption status.

Once approved, the barcodes of all exempted refillable products are transmitted to BCRS Malta Ltd. This enables RVMs to correctly identify exempted containers and alert consumers attempting to return them in error. This safeguard prevents exempted products from being processed through the Scheme, ensuring the integrity and continuity of Producers’ refillable loops.

It is also important to note that deposit amounts for refillable beverage containers are determined directly by the operators under their Producer Deposit Return Systems. These values are therefore independent of Scheme-set deposit rates.

To qualify for exemption, Producers must demonstrate the existence of a robust and operational refillable system. The process includes:

1. Submitting an exemption request supported by evidence of an established refillable system.
2. Registering each refillable product typology, including barcode, capacity, container material, deposit value, and other relevant specifications.
3. Providing documentation outlining the operational loop, covering:
 - a. collection and return mechanisms;
 - b. Producer led container pickup logistics;
 - c. cleaning and sanitisation procedures compliant with food grade requirements;
 - d. refilling and redistribution processes.
4. Operating a Producer Deposit Return System, through which deposits are collected at the point of sale and refunded directly to consumers upon return of the empty containers.

Retailers also play a pivotal role in ensuring the effectiveness of refillable systems by enabling seamless deposit refunds. Under exempted systems:

1. A deposit is charged upon purchase.
2. Consumers return empty containers to the point of purchase or to a designated producer collection point.
3. The Retailer or designated return point refunds the deposit immediately.
4. Producers then collect the returned containers for cleaning, sanitisation, refilling, and redistribution..

These steps reinforce responsible consumer behaviour and support the high return rates necessary for a functioning circular economy.

Producers operating refillable systems remain subject to mandatory collection targets as outlined in the Fifth Schedule of S.L. 549.134. These targets, shown in Figure 13 below, ensure that refillable systems remain effective and aligned with national circularity objectives.

Reference Year	Collection Target of Refillable Containers in terms of weight
2022	70%
2023	70%
2024	80%
2025	85%
2026 and for every calendar year thereafter	90%

Fig. 13 – Registered Producers of Refillable Collection Targets in Terms of Weight.

Throughout 2025, participation in refillable systems remained stable. Several Producers maintained their existing refillable portfolios, while others submitted new typologies for assessment. CEMalta continued to review applications, validate operational systems, and ensure regulatory compliance.

All refillable beverage container typologies registered under exemption by the end of 2025—including their barcodes and deposit values—are listed in Figure 14 of the report. These include refillable soft drinks, mixers, beers, and water products, all operating under producer-led deposit return and reuse systems.

Product Description	Barcode Number	Deposit Amount (€)
7 UP 25cl	5352201094285	€0.10
Britvic Bitter Lemon 25cl	5352201094247	€0.10
Britvic Ginger Ale 25cl	5352201094278	€0.10
Britvic Soda Water 25cl	5352201094261	€0.10
Britvic Tonic Water 25cl	5352201094278	€0.10
Budweiser 25cl	5352201001009	€0.10
Cisk 0.0 25cl	5352201092212	€0.10
Cisk Chill Berry 25cl	5352201091437	€0.10
Cisk Chill Lemon 25cl	5352201091406	€0.10
Cisk Chill Ginger Lime 25cl	5352201091468	€0.10
Cisk Excel 25cl	5352201090102	€0.10
Cisk Lager 25cl	5352201090508	€0.10
Cisk Lager 50cl	5352201000408	€0.17
Fontana 0.25L (Sparkling)	5352206176238	€0.13
Fontana 0.25L (Still)	5352206176221	€0.13
Fontana 0.75L (Sparkling)	5352206176214	€0.30
Fontana 0.75L (Still)	5352206176207	€0.30
Hopleaf 25cl	5352201000217	€0.10
Hopleaf 50cl	5352201000385	€0.17
Lacto 25cl	5352201000231	€0.10
Mirinda 25cl	5352201093615	€0.10
Pepsi 25cl	5352201094308	€0.10
Pepsi Max 25cl	5352201003997	€0.10
Shandy 25cl	5352201001221	€0.10
Skol 50cl	5352201000415	€0.17
SKOL 50cl	5352201095374	€0.17
Levico 25cl (Still)	8020033000220	€0.10
Levico 25cl (Sparkling)	8020033000213	€0.10
Levico 50cl (Still)	8020033000138	€0.10
Levico 50cl (Sparkling)	8020033000121	€0.10
Levico 1L (Still)	8020033000060	€0.10
Levico 1L (Sparkling)	8020033000077	€0.10
Laurentana 1L (Still)	8004192103107	€0.10
Laurentana 1L (Sparkling)	8004192103305	€0.10
Café Cuba Still 0.75L	5352206176405	€0.30
Café Cuba Sparkling 0.75L	5352206176412	€0.30
O Water Still 0.75L	5352206176979	€0.30
O Water Sparkling 0.75L	5352206176986	€0.30
O Water Still 0.25L	5352206186992	€0.30
Water Sparkling 0.25L	5352206187005	€0.30
Vecchia Napoli Still 0.75L	5352206176429	€0.30

Product Description	Barcode Number	Deposit Amount (€)
Vecchia Napoli Sparkling 0.75L	5352206176436	€0.30
Pepsi zero 25cl	5352201091147	€0.10
Kinnie 25cl	5352201094728	€0.10
Kinne Zero 25cl	5352201094742	€0.10
Skol 50cl	5352201095374	€0.17
Mirinda Zero 25cl	5352201093387	€0.10
Hopleaf 25cl	5352201004932	€0.10

Fig. 14 – Registered Refillable Beverage Containers as at 31/12/2025.

Producers placing refillable containers on the market are required under Regulation 22 of S.L. 549.134 to submit quarterly reports to CEMalta. These must include:

- ▶ aggregate quantities and weights of refillable containers placed on the market;
- ▶ aggregate quantities and weights collected for reuse;
- ▶ classification by container typology;
- ▶ any additional information requested by the Agency to confirm compliance.

Figure 15 presents the consolidated placement and collection data for refillable containers in 2025, including overall collection rates and the status of the refillable bottles deposit account. The data indicates that Producers continued to meet or exceed the mandatory 85% collection target for 2025, confirming the reliability and environmental value of refillable systems.

The performance of refillable systems in 2025 reaffirms their essential role within Malta's circular economy. Thanks to strong producer engagement, effective retailer participation, and consistently high return rates, refillable loops continue to reduce waste, extend product life cycles, and advance national sustainability and waste prevention goals.

Placement (KGS)	Collection (KGS)	Collection Rate (%)	Refillable Bottles Deposit Balance (€)
3,758,625	3,586,488	95.4	€ 110,242.20

Fig. 15 – Refillable Beverage Containers Placement and Collection, and Refillable Bottles Deposit Balance as at 31/12/2025.

Complaints

In accordance with Regulation 36 of Subsidiary Legislation 549.134, CEMalta is herewith reporting the number of queries and complaints received during the year 2025. As the national regulator of the Scheme, CEMalta continued to diligently investigate, address, document, and follow up on all complaints submitted by consumers, economic operators, and other stakeholders throughout the reporting period.

As an ISO9001:2015 certified organisation, the Agency remains committed to the principles of transparency, accuracy, and accountability in complaint handling. Responsiveness and efficiency continued to guide the Agency's operations, with the objective of acknowledging queries and complaints within 48 hours and providing timely feedback to ensure stakeholder satisfaction with the services offered.

Throughout 2025, CEMalta sustained its regulatory vigilance by carrying out spot-checks, inspections, and continuous monitoring of operator compliance. Where appropriate, the Agency provided guidance to economic operators to help them align with the requirements of Subsidiary Legislation 549.134. In cases where queries and complaints fell under the remit of the Licensed Operator, CEMalta acted as an intermediary, facilitating communication between complainants and BCRS Malta Ltd to support effective resolution.

The distribution of queries and complaints received in 2025 is outlined below:

When comparing the number of queries and complaints received over the three reporting years, a clear downward trend can be observed. In 2023, the Agency logged a total of 180 complaints, followed by 168 complaints in 2024. In 2025, the number decreased significantly to 91

complaints. This marked reduction suggests that the Scheme continued to stabilise throughout its third full year of operation, supported by increasing public familiarity, stronger operational consistency, and improved adherence by economic operators.

Notably, complaints relating to operational issues with BCRS Malta Ltd decreased considerably from previous years, indicating enhanced responsiveness and coordination within the Scheme's logistical processes. Similarly, categories such as voucher redemption issues and manual collection concerns registered lower volumes when compared to 2024, further reinforcing the impression of greater system maturity. Meanwhile, the number of cases concerning products not registered with the Scheme remained relatively constant between 2024 and 2025, demonstrating the ongoing need for vigilance and education among Producers and importers. Overall, the comparative results reflect a positive trajectory and highlight the impact of continued regulatory engagement, system improvements, and stakeholder collaboration in reducing complaint frequency and enhancing user experience across the Scheme.

Nature of Query/Complaint	QTY
Products not Registered with the Scheme	17
Erroneous Charging of Deposit by Catering Undertakings for Dine-In	12
Erroneous Charging of Deposit on Products	6
Redemption of Vouchers by Retailers	7
Issues relating to RVMs	6
Operational issues with BCRS Malta Ltd	24
Manual Collection by Retailers	2
*Other	17
Total Queries and Complaints	91

*Queries and complaints categorised as 'Other' primarily pertain to issues that do not fall within the Agency's scope of responsibility. Instead, these matters typically fall under the remit of other government entities, making them outside the Agency's remit. In this scenario, CEMalta undertook the responsibility to effectively act as a catalyst between complainants and relevant entities.

Fig. 16 – Queries and Complaints by Category as at 31/12/2025.

Investigations

The Agency’s compliance function plays a central role in ensuring adherence to the legal obligations established under Subsidiary Legislation 549.134. Throughout 2025, CEMalta continued to exercise its regulatory mandate by monitoring the activities of both the Licensed Operator and Economic Operators, ensuring that Scheme requirements were duly observed and that any non-compliance risks were promptly addressed.

In line with the preventive and pre-emptive approach adopted in previous years, the Agency carried out a wide range of compliance actions aimed at safeguarding the integrity of the Scheme. These actions included the gathering and analysis of placement-reporting data, meetings with operators, random inspections, mystery-shopping exercises, and targeted audits. Such activities are essential to identify discrepancies, detect potential non-compliance, and support economic operators in aligning with the regulatory framework. The table below provides an overview of the compliance actions undertaken by the Agency during 2025.

Compliance Actions undertaken by the Agency	QTY
Inspections	304
Mystery shopping exercises	71
Meetings held with operators	38
Audits	1
Total	414

Fig. 17 – Compliance Actions undertaken by the Agency as at 31/12/2025.

These results demonstrate an increase in structured oversight activities when compared to 2024, when the Agency registered 337 such actions (11 meetings, 27 mystery shopping exercises, 296 inspections, and 3 audits). The expansion of compliance actions in 2025 reflects

CEMalta’s continued commitment to strengthening the regulatory environment as the Scheme matures.

In addition to general compliance monitoring, the Agency conducted formal investigations relating to Producers’ obligations to report accurate placement on the market data to the Licensed Operator, in line with Regulation 14 of S.L. 549.134. These investigations play a critical role in ensuring transparency and accuracy across the value chain, and in validating that contributions to the Scheme are correctly attributed. Figure 18 below details the cases that were resolved during the reporting year.

Status of Investigation	QTY
Opened in 2025 / Resolved in 2025	34
Opened in 2025 / In Progress in 2026	5
Total Resolved in 2025	39

Fig. 18 – Investigations vis-a-vis Economic Operators’ Placement on the Market as at 31/12/2025.

When compared with 2024—during which 14 investigations were resolved—2025 saw a substantial increase, with 34 investigations concluded within the same year. This upward trend indicates heightened regulatory vigilance as well as improved detection of irregularities related to placement reporting. It further highlights the increased accuracy and scrutiny applied to placement declarations as the Scheme advances in maturity.



Throughout each case, CEMalta played a key coordinating role between the Economic Operators and BCRS Malta Ltd, ensuring that any dues or discrepancies identified were addressed in a timely and transparent manner. The Agency’s proactive engagement significantly contributed to resolving cases efficiently while supporting operators in fulfilling their legal obligations.

Financial Position of the Scheme and of the Deposit Refund Account of the Licensed Operator

In accordance with the requirements of S.L. 549.134, BCRS Malta Ltd is required to furnish the Agency with the Financial Position of the Scheme and of the Deposit Refund Account. To this end, CEMalta is hereby reproducing Figure 19 below.

It is important to note that all financial figures were presented to BCRS Malta Ltd by RSM Malta, an independent third-party registered auditor, and are being reproduced by the Agency as part of this Annual Report.

	DEPOSITS FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINER ACCOUNT - (INCLUDED IN NOTE 23 TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS)	COLLECTIONS/ PAYMENTS TRACED IN THE BANK ACCOUNT	BALANCES	REMARKS
	€	€		
Beginning Balance	(2,180,983)	548,761	(1,632,222)	With €80 difference noted between AUP Report and Audited balance since 2023. Refer to Note A.
Deposits receivable from producers and importers on beverage containers placed on the market	(28,338,219)	26,205,313	(2,132,906)	
Deposits payable on redeemed beverage containers (including both through redeemed vouchers & manual collections)	23,707,121	(23,655,764)	51,357	Includes bank charges totalling to €2,028.
Unredeemed vouchers and deposit	4,551,183	(485,724)	4,065,459	The unredeemed vouchers pertain to expired vouchers not redeemed within 1 year. While the unredeemed deposits pertain to the 20% of 2024 unredeemed deposits and 80% of 2025 unredeemed deposits. Unredeemed deposits are computed as placements minus collections of beverages containers. This is in line with the Company's policy.
Redeemed vouchers forfeited to charity organisations	95,951	(211,665)	(115,714)	Refer to Note C
Total	(2,164,947)	2,400,921	235,974	
Amount as per audited Financial Statements	(2,165,027)			
Amount as per bank statement		2,400,918		
Variance	80	3		
	Note A	Note B		

Fig. 19 – Deposit Refund Account of BCRS Malta Ltd.

Note A

It was noted that the deposit receivable from producers and importers on beverage containers placed on the market during 2022 and 2023, as accounted for in the books, amounted to €29,396,181.40 instead of

€29,396,261.80. This variance relating to 2023, has remained unchanged, and has been carried forward to 2025.

Note B

Pertaining to variance noted in 2022 being carried forward in 2023 to 2025.

Note C

The total unredeemed deposits and expired vouchers reported in 2023 amounted to €6,102,555, 2024 amounted to €5,230,242 and in 2025, amounted to €4,551,183. The total actual bank transfers made from the deposit bank account to the operational bank accounts were €2,388,062 in 2023, €5,745,950 in 2024 and €1,094,137 in 2025. Other transactions relate to periods 2023 to 2025 and include €8,306,503 received in operational account relating to deposits and €1,202,749 received in deposit account related to administrative and registration fees. Hence, the Company has a net balance of €447,923 that has to be transferred from the operational account to the deposit account.



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