



## PLASTIC RESIN CODE

Most products created from plastics can be recovered and converted to new products repeatedly. Many manufacturers using recovered plastic feed stocks require specific grades of plastic, even specific types of the same resin code. Trade literature has indicated problems for manufacturers with mixed grade plastics with the same resin code.

Society of the Plastics Industry, 1998, used internationally Trade literature has spoken to the need of expanding the resin code to incorporate more categories to help distinguish specific potential feed stocks. The (American Society for Testing and Materials) has initiated a new symbol for plastic recycling (triangle), but maintains the existing code numbers of 1 through 7. Missouri state statutes (*find the state statute requiring the use of the state arrows*) require the use of the chasing arrows with the resin code number in the center. As such there exists a conflict between state statute and current national standards.

MORA supports the expansion and standardization of a new resin code in order to promote the recovery and use of plastics in the manufacturing of new products. MORA also supports amending Missouri state statute to be in line with current national practices.

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