



ReMA Policy on Free and Fair Trade¹

Overview

The scrap recycling industry is the first link in the global manufacturing supply chain and is thus dependent upon both a healthy manufacturing base and access to global markets. The need for market-based movement of scrap commodities across borders is a critical pillar to the recycling industry's success, as well as to the success of the manufacturing economy.

The only way to maintain price and supply stability in the global marketplace for scrap commodities is to allow those materials to trade freely and fairly.

As part of its role in encouraging free and fair trade, ReMA is an important forum for information exchange and education on issues related to free and fair trade of scrap commodities and recycling equipment. ReMA undertakes activities in that pursuit, including, but not limited to: gathering and disseminating information regarding new, revised and existing government regulations; gathering and documenting information pertaining to export and import transactions (whether conducted with or without problems) to monitor trends; and raising documented issues of industry-wide unfair or illegal trade practices with the appropriate government(s) agency(ies).

It is the position of the Recycled Materials Association to:

- Support and facilitate free and fair trade;
- Support trade agreements that encourage free and fair trade;
- Support export and import laws and regulations and encourage them to be consistent with ReMA's globally accepted specifications;
- Advocate for initiatives that enable the efficient movement of commodities through the global supply chain; and
- Oppose unfair or illegal trade practices.

¹ As adopted by the ReMA Board of Directors on April 24, 2017.