

Anti-Idling Sign Request Form Instructions for Connecticut Schools

Please join our effort to protect children and staff from harmful environmental and health effects of idling motor vehicles by posting anti-idling signs at your school.

Background Information

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) aims to reduce unnecessary idling and increase awareness of the environmental and health effects of idling motor vehicles on schoolchildren and staff. DEEP is therefore providing free anti-idling signs to Connecticut schools that agree to post them. Research shows that constant reminders, such as anti-idling signs, can significantly improve rates of compliance with idling regulations.

All Connecticut schools are invited to participate in the anti-idling signage program. DEEP has already provided thousands of signs to Connecticut schools. Nearly eighty percent of Connecticut school districts are participating in the program.

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How to Request Anti-Idling Signs

If your school system has not requested signs yet but would like to do so or needs replacement signs, please fill out the <u>Anti-Idling Sign Request Form for Connecticut Schools</u> and submit it to:

Email: Walter.Barozi@ct.gov

Email Heading: Anti-Idling Sign Request Form

*Note: Anti-idling sign requests are limited to two (2) signs per school.

Posting of Anti-Idling Signs

Signs should be posted in a location that can easily be seen from the school bus loading and designated pick up/drop off areas. We encourage your school system to obtain posts, which your local public works or municipal transportation department may be able to provide, or your local PTA may be able to help purchase. We believe this provides the most visible impact for the anti-idling message. Another option is to add the signs to a pre-existing post already in an appropriate location.

Anti-Idling Success Stories

Take the time to share your idling reduction success stories! Email us a narrative along with a photo that we can share at www.ct.gov/deep/anti-idling. Don't forget to be creative with the photo and have fun!

Thank you for helping to protect Connecticut's air quality!