System of Laws and Regulations to Promote the Creation of a Resource Recycling Society

Basic Environmental Law

Basic Environment Plan

Circulation
— Natural circulation
— Society's material circulation
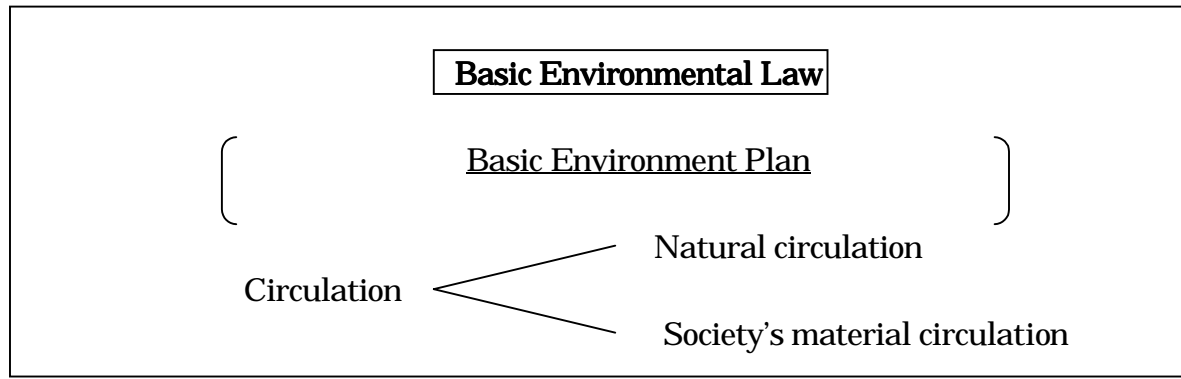
Basic Law for Establishing the Recycling-based Society (Basic Framework Law)

Ensuring circulation of materials in society
Controlling decrease of natural resources
Reduce burden on the environment

Basic Principles   Responsibilities of Nation, Local Public Organizations, Businesses, and Citizens   National Policies

Basic Plan for Establishing the Recycling-based Society   Basis of nation's other programs

Proper Disposal of Waste   **Promotion of Recycling**

Establishment of General Structure
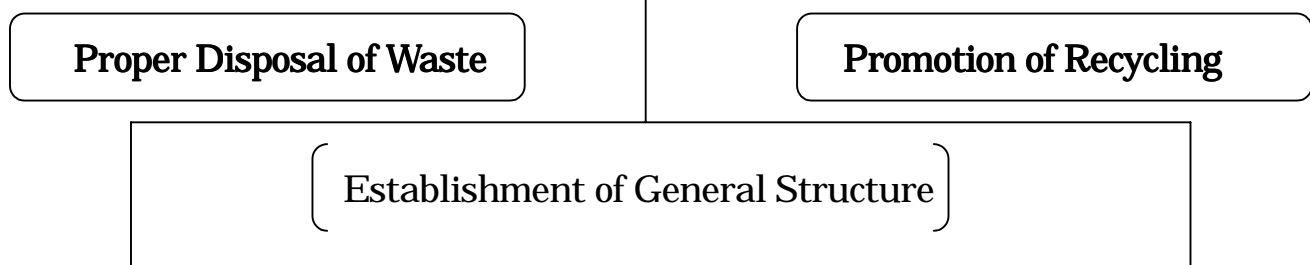
Waste Management and Public Cleansing Law   **Law for Promotion of Effective Utilization of Resources**

1. Proper disposal of waste
2. Establishment of waste disposal sites
3. Regulations targeting waste disposal employees
4. Establishment of waste disposal standards

1. Recycling of resources
2. Simple recycling system - quality of laborers
3. Indications for sorting / collection
4. Promotion of effective use of by-products

Expansion and strengthening
(Countermeasures against improper waste disposal,
Maintenance of facilities, etc. through public participation)

Expansion and maintenance

(1R - 3R)

Regulations in response to special characteristics of individual commodities

(Existing Legislation)

Container and Packaging Recycling Law
Collection by containers and packaging by cities and towns
Reuse of resources by manufacturers and users

Electric Household Appliance Recycling Law
Collection of used appliances by businesses from consumers
Recycling of products by manufacturers, etc.

(New Legislation)

Construction Material Recycling Law
Contractors will
● Separate / demolish construction materials
● Recycling of construction waste

Food Recycling Law
Recycling and decrease in food wastes by manufacturers,
processing industries, and food product retailers

Law on Promoting Green Purchasing (National government taking the initiative in the promotion of procurement of recycled goods)