Wisconsinites recycle millions of pounds of electronics through E-Cycle Wisconsin



Join in by recycling or donating your old or unwanted electronics.

Why is it important to recycle electronics?

Electronics contain valuable, reusable materials like aluminum, copper, precious metals, plastic and steel. They also contain harmful materials like lead, mercury, chemical flame retardants and batteries. Recycling and reusing electronics protects the environment, conserves valuable raw materials and preserves landfill space.

What happens when I recycle my electronics?

Electronics recyclers break down your electronics, reuse or recycle safe materials, and properly manage hazardous materials. Recyclers must comply with state and federal regulations to ensure environmental and worker safety.

Where can I e-cycle?

Do NOT put electronics or rechargeable batteries in your recycling bin or cart. There are hundreds of drop-off sites around Wisconsin. Call ahead or visit a collector's website to learn about costs and restrictions. There are also free manufacturer mail-back programs.

Find maps and lists of recycling options at:

dnr.wi.gov search "ecycle"

The following items CANNOT be put in the trash or sent to landfills or incinerators:



- Computers (desktops, laptops and tablets)
- Monitors (includes similar devices with screens of at least 7")
- Computer accessories (mice, keyboards, external hard drives, etc.)
- TVs
- Cellphones
- Video game consoles
 - DVD players, VCRs, DVRs



- Desktop printers (including those that scan, fax and/or copy and 3-D printers)
- Fax machines

These and other electronics can be RECYCLED at drop-off sites around the state or through mail-back programs. Do not put in your recycling bin or cart.





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