

Debris Disposal Checklist (PUB WA-1253)

Below is a quick guide to disposing of storm and flood debris. Read from left to right for the preferred disposal options for a given item or material—often, more than one method is acceptable. These are recommended best management practices; for many items options not checked (such as landfilling) are legal. If materials are contaminated or you cannot separate them, landfilling is the best option.

For more information on proper disposal of these and other materials, including links to recyclers, waste haulers, landfills and DNR contacts, visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/wm/stormdebris.htm>.

Material	Manage as hazard	Recycle or reuse	Compost or mulch	Dispose of on own property	Landfill
Antifreeze	✓				
Appliances		✓			
Batteries (lead acid/motor vehicle)		✓			
Bricks		✓		✓	✓
Cardboard (wet)			✓		✓
Carpet		✓			✓
Concrete (no lead paint)		✓		✓	✓
Concrete (lead paint)					✓
Drywall		✓			✓
Electronics		✓			
Flooring (wood, vinyl, etc.)		✓			✓
Fluorescent/non-incandescent light bulbs		✓			
Furniture					✓
Gasoline cans	✓				
Insulation					✓
Metal roofing and siding		✓			
Motor oil/oil containers	✓				
Other chemicals	✓				
Paints, stains and varnishes	✓				
Paint thinners	✓				
Pavement				✓	✓
Pesticides	✓				
Plastics		✓			✓
PVC pipes					✓
Rock or stone				✓	✓
Sandbags (biodegradable materials)				✓	✓
Sandbags (non-biodegradable materials)					✓
Sand from all sandbags				✓	✓
Shingles (asphalt roofing)		✓			✓
Solvents	✓				
Tires		✓			
Tree waste			✓	✓	✓
Vinyl siding		✓			✓
Wood (untreated)		✓	✓	✓	✓
Wood (painted or treated)					✓
Yard materials			✓		

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