

# 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?

Some collectors accept electronics for free, while others charge a fee for items like TVs. Call ahead or visit a collector's website to learn about costs and restrictions. If you don't see a site near you, consider manufacturer mail-back programs.

Find maps and lists of recycling options at:

[dnr.wi.gov](https://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)
- Computer monitors (includes e-readers and similar devices with screens of at least 7")
- Computer accessories (mice, keyboards, external hard drives, etc.)
- TVs
- Cellphones
- DVD players, VCRs and DVRs
- Desktop printers (including those that scan, fax and/or copy and 3-D printers)
- Fax machines

The above items and other electronics can be RECYCLED throughout the state.



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