# **EXCEL AT E-CYCLING**

## WHAT TO DO WITH UNWANTED ELECTRONICS



### THE FOLLOWING ELECTRONICS ARE BANNED FROM THE TRASH:

INCLUDING DESKTOPS,

LAPTOPS AND TABLETS



**TELEVISIONS** 



**DESKTOP PRINTERS** 



OTHER COMPUTER ACCESSORIES



CELLPHONES





COMPUTER MONITORS



E-READERS



**FAX MACHINES** 

# **E-CYCLE** WISCONSIN



### There are several things to keep in mind when recycling electronics in Wisconsin:

- Electronics should not go in your recycling cart. The facilities that recycle them are different than the ones for curbside recyclables.
- Batteries found in many electronics can spark and cause a fire in your recycling bin or garbage can, especially if the battery is swollen or damaged.
- Be sure to wipe your data from devices such as computers, tablets and cellphones.
- Ask questions about where your electronics are going and how they are handled. There may be a fee to recycle some electronics, especially TVs and monitors.

#### **RESOURCES:**

DVD PLAYERS, VCRS,

**DVRS AND OTHER** 

VIDEO PLAYERS

The DNR maintains a list of electronics collection sites and mail-back programs. Go to dnr.wi.gov and search "ecycle."

The nonprofit organization Call2Recycle has a list of battery recycling sites: www.call2recycle.org.



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## RECYCLE RIGHT

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR RECYCLING IN WISCONSIN



THE FOLLOWING RECYCLABLES ARE REQUIRED TO BE COLLECTED BY ALL CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAMS OR DROP-OFF LOCATIONS IN THE STATE:



ALUMINUM CONTAINERS



GLASS CONTAINERS



STEEL, TIN AND BI-METAL CONTAINERS



NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES AND OTHER MATERIALS PRINTED ON SIMILAR PAPER



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD AND OTHER CONTAINER BOARD



#1 AND #2 PLASTIC BOTTLES AND JARS SUCH AS MILK JUGS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT BOTTLES, SODA AND WATER BOTTLES



Rinse containers and cans

gloves and disinfectant

These materials should not go in the recycling:

Loose plastic bags

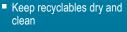
"Tanglers" such as cords,

hoses, light strings, ropes

and wires

wipes

Needles/sharps
 Propane cylinders
 Clothing/textiles
 Personal protective equipment such as masks,



 Put items in the recycling bin or dumpster, not alongside

 DO NOT PUT ITEMS IN PLASTIC BAGS



Check with your local recycling program or hauler for an exact list of what they accept — many take additional materials. Contamination is a big issue reported by Wisconsin recycling facilities. Following best practices and keeping out unwanted materials really helps! If in doubt, throw it out.

### **RESOURCES:**

- For a full list of materials banned from the trash, go to dnr.wi.gov and search "what to recycle."
- For a DNR map of sharps collection sites, go to dnr.wi.gov and search "sharps."
- For sites to recycle materials that should not go in your cart, check the Wisconsin Recycling Markets Directory: WisconsinRecyclingDirectory.com.

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