

Washington County Residential Disposal Guide



The **Washington County Residential Disposal Guide** provides residents with detailed information on how to reuse, recycle and properly dispose of household materials.

What Do You Think of the Residential Disposal Guide? [Click Here](#) to take a short survey.

This guide is specifically designed for residents. For businesses, go to the [Resourceful Waste Management Guide for Businesses](#).

The following web sites offer expanded disposal options:

- The [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#) and www.reduce.org will provide you with information on recycling and waste reduction.

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Acids

Acids are found in several household cleaning products such as pool chemicals, solvents, wet cell batteries (battery acid), radiator flushers and other cleaners.

DO NOT mix household cleaners and/or chemicals. Keep acids and cyanides separate.

-If you are dealing with picric or hydrofluoric acid you should call the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment at 651-430-6655.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

Picric acid can be highly explosive. **DO NOT** attempt to open or move old containers of picric acid.

Hydrofluoric acid is highly corrosive and can produce first degree burns that may not become apparent for up to 24 hours. If you have come in contact with this acid, call your local hospital or clinic immediately.

Adhesives

Adhesives may include: glues, rubber cement, and epoxy. They may also contain solvents which can be flammable.

Solvent-based adhesives will be labeled "flammable," "combustible," or "contains petroleum distillates."

Some adhesives may also irritate the skin and lungs while others may cause burns to the skin and eyes.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

Water-based adhesives, such as white glue, can be dried out and placed in your trash. Such adhesives are labeled "Warning-Keep from Freezing."

Aerosols

Aerosols may include: cleaners, furniture polishes, hair sprays and air fresheners, and should not be thrown in the garbage. Please store properly, keep away from heat, and do not inhale.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Aluminum Cans

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

~ The following companies are sell back options; contact them directly for more information.

Alter Metal Recycling
801 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-222-2751

Forest Lake Sanitation/SRC
6320 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming 651-462-1099

National Recycling Inc (NRI)
15717 Forest Blvd
Hugo 651-407-0092

Northern Metal Recycling
521 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-224-4877

Wal-Mart
5815 Norell Ave N
Oak Park Heights 651-439-7476



Did You Know?

Some churches, schools and community groups collect aluminum cans. Check with local organizations to see if they are collecting.

Aluminum Foil & Trays

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

Animal Waste (Carcasses)

Disposal Options:

For Pets:

Call your veterinarian or call the Animal Humane Society at 763-522-4325, extension 250.

For Wildlife:

- * on a state highway right-of-way, call 651-582-1500.
 - * on a county highway right-of-way, call 651-430-4300.
 - * on your property, call Animal Control, a private service provider, at 952-894-9065.
- You may also self-haul to the following sites:

Burnsville Landfill, Inc
2650 Cliff Rd W
Burnsville
952-890-3248

Elk River Landfill
22460 Highway 169 NW
Elk River
763-441-2464

Pine Bend Landfill
2495 117th St E
Inver Grove Heights
651-457-2778

Contact them to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

For Farm Animals:

Call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at 651-296-2942.

Antifreeze

Antifreeze may be poisonous if ingested. Keep antifreeze away from children and pets. Prevent antifreeze from going into septic systems, onto the land or into lakes and streams.

Disposal Options:

See [Automotive](#).

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Accepted from residents in five (5) gallon containers or less; please keep separate from all other products.)



Did You Know?

It is **ILLEGAL** to put antifreeze in the trash, pour it on the ground, or pour it down a drain or sewer. Antifreeze must be recycled.

Appliances (Major)

Major appliances include: clothes washers and dryers, hot water heaters, heat pumps, furnaces, garbage disposals, trash compactors, conventional and microwave ovens, dishwashers, ranges and stoves, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and refrigerators. Major appliances contain hazardous material and need to be disposed of properly.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#). (Contact your waste hauler first to see if they accept major appliances.)

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any. Exceptions may apply.

A & F Auto Parts

10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544
(Does not accept appliances with Freon, including air conditioners, freezers, or refrigerators)

A-Plus Appliance

760 Payne Ave
Saint Paul 651-771-0336

Alter Metal Recycling

801 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-222-2751

City Tech

6563 145th Ave NE
Forest Lake 651-464-6763

JR's Advanced Recyclers

8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Northern Metal Recycling

201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-430-2809

Retrofit Recycling

969 39th Ave NW
Owatonna 800-795-1230

Plaza TV & Appliance

1918 Beam Ave
Maplewood 651-731-3603
(Does not accept water softeners)



Did You Know?

It is **ILLEGAL** to place a major appliance in the trash or on the ground. Major appliances must be reused or recycled.

Appliances (Minor)

Minor appliances may include: blenders, coffee makers, crock pots, deep fryers, electric mixers, fans, pizza ovens, and toasters.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

Green Light Recycling
10040 Davenport St NE
Blaine 763-785-0456

Plaza TV & Appliance
1918 Beam Ave
Maplewood 651-731-3603

Roger's Auto & Truck Parts
10870 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-768-0000

Northern Metal Recycling
201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-430-2809

Retrofit Recycling
969 39th Ave NW
Owatonna 800-795-1230



Did You Know?

Most small appliances may be placed in the trash, with the exception of those that contain mercury.

Asbestos

Asbestos may be found in: insulation, fire-proofing/fireproof clothing, floor tiles, pipes, textured paints and roofing tar.

Harmful asbestos fibers may be released if the materials are disturbed. Do not disrupt materials unless necessary.

For information on asbestos removal contact: Minnesota Department of Health-Asbestos Unit at 651-201-4620 or www.health.state.mn.us.

OR

For Information on asbestos disposal contact: Asbestos Information Hotline at 651-297-5857 or www.pca.state.mn.us.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Non-friable asbestos ONLY will be accepted from residents in sealed and marked containers of 5 gallons or less. For questions call 651-430-6655)

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact your waste hauler first to see if they accept asbestos materials.)

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

Elk River Landfill
22460 Hwy 169 NW
Elk River 763-441-2464

MAVO Systems
4330 Centerville Rd
White Bear Lake 763-788-7713

Ron Vasko Roll-Off
930 Atlantic St
Saint Paul 651-776-4343

Automobiles & Parts

Disposal Options:

See *Automotive*.

See *Donation Opportunities*.



Did You Know?

You can donate your old car to a local vocational or high school, and may receive a tax write-off for your donation.



Safety Tip

Never burn PCBs, because the fumes are toxic.

Use rubber gloves when handling damaged ballasts or capacitors.

Ballasts & Capacitors

Ballasts are used in fluorescent light fixtures, and capacitors are commonly used in major appliances. They both may contain PCBs, a hazardous material that should be properly disposed.

If the ballast or capacitor is not labeled, assume it contains PCBs.

If the ballast or capacitor is labeled "No PCBs," it is safe to place in your trash.

Disposal Options:

See *Environmental Center*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

Bathtubs & Showers

Disposal Options:

See *Disposal Facilities*.

See *Donation Opportunitites*.

See *Waste Haulers*.



Did You Know?

If your old bathtub or shower is cast iron or steel, you can recycle it.

See *Scrap Metal* for more information.

Batteries (Automotive)

Automotive batteries can be found in: cars, trucks, tractors, boats and some motorized toys. They contain acid and lead, that are hazardous and need to be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Automotive](#).

See [Environmental Center](#).



Did You Know?

State Law requires that any store selling automotive batteries must take them back at no charge.
(Limit 5 per person per year.)



Did You Know?

The following batteries are **ILLEGAL** to place in the trash: lead acid and sealed lead acid batteries, mercury oxide, silver oxide, and nickel cadmium button batteries

Batteries (Button)

Button batteries are found in: toys, calculators, watches, hearing aids, cameras and pagers. Many contain materials that are hazardous and must be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Batteries Plus
1480 Weir Dr Suite 200
Woodbury 651-714-4846

Carter's Jewelry & Gifts
85 Lake St N
Forest Lake 651-464-3378

Gaalas Jewelers
227 Main St S
Stillwater 651-439-2452

Stokes Jewelry
113 Main St S
Stillwater 651-439-0921

Target
8655 East Point Douglas Rd S
Cottage Grove 651-458-8179

Target
356 12th St SW
Forest lake 651-464-4700

Target
2021 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-0292

Target
7200 Valley Creek Rd
Woodbury 651-735-7083

Batteries (Non-rechargeable)

Non-rechargeable batteries are found in: radios, toys, televisions and cameras. The most common type of non-rechargeable batteries are ALKALINE, and are safe to be placed in your trash.

SILVER OXIDE, MERCURY OXIDE, and NICKEL CADMIUM non-rechargeable batteries are hazardous, and are required by law to be recycled.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Batteries (Rechargeable)

Rechargeable batteries are found in: cellular phones, power tools, portable computers or laptops, camcorders and toys. Many contain hazardous materials and must be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Ace Hardware
1662 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-8233

Batteries Plus
1480 Weir Dr Suite 200
Woodbury 651-714-4846

Northern Tool & Equipment
1480 Weir Dr Ste 100
Woodbury 651-714-1233

Target
8655 East Point Douglas Rd S
Cottage Grove 651-458-8179

Target
356 12th St SW
Forest lake 651-464-4700

Target
2021 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-0292

Target
7200 Valley Creek Rd
Woodbury 651-735-7083

Veolia Environmental Services
309 Como Ave
Saint Paul 651-487-8546

Wildwood Service
1000 Wildwood Rd
Mahtomedi 651-779-9861



Did You Know?

State law requires that rechargeable nickel-cadmium (Ni-Cd) and small sealed lead (Pb) batteries be recycled. It is **ILLEGAL** to put them in your trash.



Safety Tip

Store rechargeable batteries in a non-metal container and keep separate from other batteries.

When storing and/or transporting, tape the receptor ends of the batteries with duct or electrical tape to prevent sparking.

Bicycles

Disposal Options:

See *Disposal Sites*.

See *Donation Opportunities*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

A & F Auto Parts
10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544



Did You Know?

You can donate your books to *Books for Africa* free of charge. Books must be 10 years old or newer. Contact the organization at 651-602-9844, or www.booksforafrica.org for more information.

Books

Disposal Options:

See *Donation Opportunities*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

- The following companies are sell back options; contact them directly for more information.

Books for Africa
635 Prior Ave N
Saint Paul 651-602-9844

Half Price Books
2982 White Bear Ave N
Maplewood 651-773-0631

The Book Corner
783 Radio Dr Suite 115
Woodbury 651-730-0661

Half Price Books
8601 Springbrook Dr
Coon Rapids 763-784-1500

Half Price Books
2041 Ford Parkway
Saint Paul 651-699-1391

Wipers Recycling
501 9th Ave
Saint Paul Park 651-222-7247

- The following is a recycling drop-off option:

Shred Right
862 Hersey St
Saint Paul 651-647-1300



Did You Know?

You can recycle more kinds of paper than you think. Visit www.RethinkRecycling.com to learn more

Boxes

Boxes may include: corrugated cardboard, boxboard (i.e. cereal boxes), gift boxes and others. Recycle corrugated boxes unless contaminated with food.

NOT RECYCLABLE- Wax-coated boxes such as milk cartons, and contaminated boxes such as pizza boxes, are *not* recyclable and should be placed in your trash.

Disposal Options:

See *Recycling Options*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

Pack & Mail
7060 Valley Creek Plaza #115
Woodbury 651-739-2026

Brake Fluid

Brake fluid is combustible and poisonous if ingested.

For easier disposal, you can manage your brake fluid by combining with used oil.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Did You Know?

State law requires that brake fluid be recycled. It is **ILLEGAL** to place in your trash, pour on the ground, or pour down a drain or sewer.

Bug Killers & Sprays

Bug killers and sprays may contain chemicals that if used or disposed of improperly are harmful to human health and the environment. Bug killers and sprays should *NOT* be placed in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

Do not mix or burn bug killers or sprays.

Prevent bug killers and sprays from leaking into septic systems, onto the land or into lakes and streams.

Building Materials

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact your waste hauler to see if they accept building materials)



Did You Know?

Some companies buy back used building materials.

Look in the **Yellow Pages** under *Salvage-Merchandise* for local listings.

Cameras & Camcorders

If the camera or camcorder cannot be reused, remove the batteries, and place the camera or camcorder in the trash.

For proper disposal of the batteries, see [Rechargeable Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Car Seats (Infant, Child, Booster)

Child safety seats should not be used beyond their expiration date with most having an expiration date of 6 years. Due to liability concerns, thrift stores will not accept them for reuse.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Carpet & Carpet Padding

For the recycling of post-consumer carpet and padding, the material must meet the following requirements:

- Must be dry, no wet carpet or pad
- Residential or commercial carpet and padding
- No rubber backed carpet or rubber pad
- No carpet tile or other rigid flooring
- Rolled or bagged by single material type (old, new, pad)
- Maximum 6 feet for width of carpet in rolls
- Rolls tied with string or twine (no duct tape)
- Cut out seaming tape as much as possible
- No tack strips, nails, staples or knife blades
- No debris, refuse, rocks or caked mud
- Minimal loose dirt

Please check [Bro-Tex, Inc.'s web site](#) for up-to-date locations and specifications.

Note: at these sites you will need to transfer your carpet to the trailers at the site. Transfer assistance is not generally available at collection sites.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

CDs, CD ROMs & DVDs

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

~ The following companies are sell back options; contact them directly for more information.

Cheapo/Applause

71 Snelling Ave N
Saint Paul 651-644-8981

(Does not accept computer games)

Half Price Books

8601 Springbrook Dr
Coon Rapids 763-784-1500

Half Price Books

2982 White Bear Ave N
Maplewood 651-773-0631

Half Price Books

2041 Ford Parkway
Saint Paul 651-699-1391

Hi-Score Video

1750 Weir Dr
Woodbury 651-731-6178

Cell Phones

Cell phones contain hazardous materials and don't belong in the trash. If the cell phone cannot be reused or recycled, remove the batteries and place the cell phone in the trash.

For proper disposal of the batteries, see [Rechargeable Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-For additional disposal options visit RethinkRecycling.com.

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations, and charges for services, if any.

Arrow Electronics
7629 Anagram Dr
Eden Prairie 952-949-0053

Cartridge World
7455 Currell Blvd Ste 111
Woodbury 651-739-0060

Como Zoo
1225 Estabrook Drive
St Paul 651-487-8272

Materials Processing Corp
2300 Pilot Knob Road
Mendota Heights 651-681-8099



Did You Know?

The batteries in your cell phone cannot be placed in the trash.

See [Rechargeable Batteries](#) for more information.



Safety Tip

Store [rechargeable batteries](#) in a non-metal container and keep separate from other batteries and any source of ignition.

When storing and/or transporting, tape the receptor ends of the batteries with duct or electrical tape.



Did You Know?

State law requires that all [rechargeable batteries](#) be recycled. It is **ILLEGAL** to put them in your trash.

Charcoal

Charcoal is not hazardous unless soaked with lighter fluid.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Charcoal that is both treated and not treated with lighter fluid is accepted.)

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Charcoal not treated with lighter fluid may be placed in your trash.)

Cleaners

Many cleaning products contain hazardous or toxic materials that should be properly disposed. ALWAYS read the label for more information and instructions.

Even empty containers may be hazardous because contents can be under pressure.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

Never mix cleaners containing ammonia with those containing bleach.

Prevent cleaners from going into septic systems, onto the land, or into lakes and streams.



Did You Know?

Many cleaners have less toxic alternatives. See www.reduce.org for less toxic cleaners.

Clothing & Accessories

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(If clothing, shoes, and other accessories are not reusable, they can be recycled at USAgain, which are listed under [Donation Opportunities](#). Otherwise, clothing that is not reusable can be placed in your trash.)

[Green Door Consignment](#)

25 N Lake St, Suite 125
Forest Lake 651-464-7630

[Turn Style Consignment Store](#)

9470 Hudson Rd
Woodbury 651-578-6684

Concrete, Asphalt, Rocks & Sand

Disposal Options:

Contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Dresel Trucking
21490 Forest Blvd N
Forest Lake 651-464-0860

FRA-DOR
3137 Country Dr
Little Canada 651-484-8180

Hammes Sand & Gravel
10105 10th St N
Lake Elmo 651-436-6696

Miller Excavating
3636 Stagecoach Tr
Baytown 651-439-1637

River City Services
201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-470-5000

Northern Metal Recycling
201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-430-2809

SKB Environmental
250 Starkey St
Saint Paul 651-224-6329

Confidential Material Destruction

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Shred Right
862 Hersey St
Saint Paul 651-647-1300

Shred-It
8400 89th Ave N Suite 430
Minneapolis 952-856-3790



Did You Know?

You can recycle more kinds of paper than you think. Visit www.RethinkRecycling.com to learn more

Construction & Demolition Debris

Construction debris may include: building materials, packaging, rubble, concrete, brick, wood, masonry, glass, rock, metal and plastic building parts. It does not include asbestos waste.

For larger jobs you may want to use a roll-off container. Look in the *Yellow Pages* under *garbage and rubbish collection* for listings.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

Cooking Oil

Contact your waste hauler for information on how they would like your cooking oil managed for disposal.

The most common way: put in a sealed container, FREEZE and place in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Cordless Tools

If the cordless tool cannot be reused, remove the batteries and place cordless tool in the trash.

For proper disposal of the batteries, see [Rechargeable Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Diesel Fuel & Kerosene

Diesel fuel and kerosene are flammable and hazardous, and should be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Accepted from residents in five gallon containers or less; please keep separate from all other products.)



Safety Tip

Keep diesel fuel and kerosene away from heat, flame or sources of ignition.

Prevent diesel fuel and kerosene from going into septic systems, onto the land, or into lakes and streams.

Dishware

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

Doors

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

If the door is aluminum, it can be recycled.

See [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.

Driveway Sealer

Some driveway sealers contain hazardous materials. Water-based driveway sealer can freeze, and become unusable.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Did You Know?

If your driveway sealer is still usable, bring it to the [Environmental Center](#) so someone else can use it through the *Free Product Exchange Program*.

Drums & Pails

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

Metal drums and pails can be recycled.

See [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.

Electronics

Electronic waste is any waste that has a circuit board or a cathode ray tube (CRT). Electronics may contain lead, cadmium, or mercury, which are harmful to human health and the environment. Electronic products containing a cathode ray tube (such as TVs and computer monitors) may not be placed in the garbage.

Electronic waste includes the following products:

- Computers
- Computer Monitors
- Peripherals (keyboards, mice, speakers, etc.)
- Printers
- TVs
- DVD & VCR Players
- Fax Machines

If you have a cellphone, see [Cell Phones](#) for proper disposal options.

If you have small appliance, including a microwave, see [Minor Appliances](#) for proper disposal options.

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#) if your electronic item is still in good condition.

See [Waste Haulers](#) (some haulers offer service for electronics recycling)

See [Environmental Center](#) (no charge for residents)

-Additional disposal options: These businesses collect electronics for a fee. Contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services.

Arrow Electronics

7629 Anagram Dr
Eden Prairie 952-949-0053

Burnsville Landfill

2650 Cliff Rd W
Burnsville 952-890-3248

Elk River Landfill

22460 Highway 169 NW
Elk River 763-441-2464

Forest Lake ACE Hardware

814 Lake St S
Forest Lake 651-464-6262

Forest Lake Sanitation/SRC Inc

6320 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming 651-462-1099

Johnny's TV

242 N Main St
Stillwater 651-439-5965

JR's Advanced Recyclers

8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Materials Processing Corp

2300 Pilot Knob Road
Mendota Heights 651-681-8099

Plaza TV & Appliance

1918 Beam Ave
Maplewood 651-731-3603

River City Services

201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-470-5000

Northern Metal Recycling

201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-430-2809

Universal Recycling Technologies

3220 Granada Ave N, Suite 150
Oakdale 651-777-3031

Wipers Recycling LLC

1255 Cope Ave E
Maplewood 651-222-7247
Drop off: 501 9th Ave St Paul Park
(no monitors)

Engines (Automobile)

Disposal Options:

See [Automotive](#).

Engines (Small)

Disposal Options:

*Contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.
(Some locations may also accept weed trimmers, garden tillers, chainsaws, small lawn tractors and snow blowers.)*

A & F Auto Parts
10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544

Gerlach Service
7473 Lamar Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-1441

Great Western
521 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-224-4877

Hugo Auto & Truck Parts
16615 Forest Blvd N
Hugo 651-429-5420

Hugo Equipment Company
13997 Forest Blvd N
Hugo 651-429-8163

JR's Advanced Recyclers
8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

K&B Small Engine Repair
9651 152nd Ave
Forest Lake 651-464-3280

Northwood Power Equipment
7320 Stillwater Blvd N
Oakdale 651-777-0606

Roger's Auto & Truck Parts
10870 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-768-0000

Wally's Small Engine Repair
20965 Saint Croix Tr N
Scandia 651-433-2686

Envelopes

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

You can recycle more kinds of paper than you think. Visit www.RethinkRecycling.com to learn more



Did You Know?

Plastic or bubble envelopes are not recyclable, and can be placed in your trash.

Eyeglasses

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

**20/20 Opticians/
Associated Eye Care**
828 Lake St S
Forest Lake 651-275-3000

**20/20 Opticians/
Associated Eye Care**
280 N Smith Ave Suite 840
St Paul 651.275.3000

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
1460 Frontage Rd W
Stillwater 651-430-3693

**20/20 Opticians/
Associated Eye Care**
1625 Radio Dr
Woodbury 651-275-3000

Pearle Vision
7150 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury 651-738-4886

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
206 2nd St
Hudson 715-386-3353

**20/20 Opticians/
Associated Eye Care**
2950 Curve Crest Blvd
Stillwater 651-275-3000

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
121 Chestnut St E
Stillwater 651-439-2250

Veolia Environmental Services
309 Como Ave
Saint Paul 651-487-8546

Vision Works
1960 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-3049



Did You Know?

Many locations will accept eyeglass cases and lenses for recycling.



Did You Know?

You can donate your used eyeglasses through the "Give the Gift of Sight Program" by bringing in any old eyeglasses to a local *Lens Crafters* store.

Call 1-877-753-6727 for more information.

Fertilizers

Fertilizers may contain herbicides, pesticides or insecticides, may be toxic to humans and the environment, and should be properly disposed.

Always keep fertilizers away from flammable liquids.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Did You Know?

Leave your old grass clippings on the lawn. This practice reduces the need for fertilizer application during the growing season.

Fire Extinguishers

Fire extinguishers can be hazardous, because the contents are under pressure.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Fireworks

The [Environmental Center](#) accepts all Minnesota **LEGAL** fireworks.

For questions, please contact Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment at 651-430-6655.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Floppy Disks

Floppy disks are not hazardous and can be placed in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Flower Pots (plastic)

The [Minnesota Nursery and Landscape Association](#) sponsors seasonal drop off sites for plastic flower pots. [Click Here](#) for locations and acceptable materials.

Fluorescent Bulbs

Fluorescent bulbs, tubes, high intensity discharge (HID) lamps and neon lamps present a hazard, because they contain mercury. Light fixtures may contain ballasts.

See [Ballasts & Capacitors](#) for more information.

For information on proper handling procedures for fluorescent bulbs, see the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Household Hazardous Waste Fact Sheet "[Managing and Cleaning Up Broken Fluorescent and High-intensity discharge lamps](#)".

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Broken bulbs are accepted. Avoid putting tape on the bulbs.)

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm types of bulbs accepted, hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Ace Hardware & Paint

1662 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-8233

Batteries Plus

1480 Weir Dr Suite 200
Woodbury 651-714-4846

Forest Lake Sanitation/SRC Inc

6320 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming 651-462-1099

Frattallone's Ace Hardware

1750 Weir Dr
Woodbury 651-738-1697

Greenlight Recycling

10040 Davenport St NE
Blaine 763-785-0456

JR's Advanced Recyclers

8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Retrofit Recycling

969 39th Ave NW
Owatonna 1-800-795-1230



Did You Know?

It is **ILLEGAL** to place fluorescent bulbs or high intensity discharge lamps in the trash because they contain mercury.

Fuel Tanks

Fuel tanks can be found above or below ground, usually in connection with furnaces and heaters. The fuel in the tank is flammable and hazardous, and should be properly disposed. Empty fuel tanks can be recycled as *Scrap Metal*.

Disposal Options:

See *Environmental Center*.

(Fuel from the tank transported in an appropriate container is accepted at the facility. The Environmental Center does not accept tanks.)

Homeowners with abandoned underground residential heating oil tanks can receive assistance with removal and disposal by contacting the Minnesota Petrofund at 651-297-1119. To be eligible, homeowners must call Minnesota Petrofund first; before a contractor has been hired and before the tank has been removed.

-The following is a list of above ground fuel and fuel tank recyclers and tank removers; contact them directly for more information.

Westmor Fluid Solutions

7220 Central Ave NE
Fridley 763-571-8110

Furniture

Disposal Options:

See *Disposal Sites*.

See *Donation Opportunities*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

- The following companies are consignment options; contact them directly for more information.

Green Door Consignment

25 N Lake St, Suite 125
Forest Lake 651-464-7630

Turn Style Consignment Store

9470 Hudson Rd
Woodbury 651-578-6684

The Lived in Room

5620 Memorial Ave N Suite A
Oak Park Heights 651-342-0195

Gasoline

Gasoline is a highly flammable and toxic product. It can be harmful to your health through skin contact, inhalation, or ingestion.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).
(Do not mix gasoline with other products.)



Safety Tip

Gasoline contains benzene, a known carcinogen. Handle gasoline with caution.

Prevent gasoline from going into septic systems, onto the land, or into lakes and streams.

Glass

Food and beverage glass is recyclable.

The following items are not recyclable, and should be placed in the trash: auto glass, dishware, incandescent light bulbs, mirrors, and window and door glass.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Recycling Options](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Grills

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact first to see if they accept grills.)

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

JR's Advanced Recylers

8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995



Did You Know?

Grills are accepted at many scrap yards.
See [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.

For proper disposal of the propane tank,
see [Propane Tanks](#) for more information.

Grocery & Shopping Bags (Paper)

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Rainbow Foods
7053 10th St N
Oakdale 651-739-9570

Rainbow Foods
7050 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury 651-738-1974

River Market
221 N Main St
Stillwater 651-439-0366



Did You Know?

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Grocery & Shopping Bags (Plastic)

Plastic bags are accepted at many drop-off recycling locations.

Disposal Options: See [Recycling Options](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Cub Foods
8690 East Point Douglas Rd S
Cottage Grove 651-459-7106

Cub Foods
2013 W Broadway
Forest lake 651-982-4511

Cub Foods
1801 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-430-2350

Cub Foods
8432 Tamarack Village
Woodbury 651-730-8148

Kowalski's Market
8505 Valley Creek Rd
Woodbury 651-578-8800

Rainbow Foods
7280 E Point Douglas Rd S
Cottage Grove 651-458-3998

Rainbow Foods
7053 10th St N
Oakdale 651-739-9570

Rainbow Foods
7050 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury 651-738-1974

River Market
221 N Main St
Stillwater 651-439-0366

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
121 Chestnut St E
Stillwater 651-439-2250

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
1460 Frontage Rd W
Stillwater 651-40-3693

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
206 2nd St
Hudson 715-386-3353

Wal-Mart
200 12th St SW
Forest Lake 651-464-9740

Wal-Mart
5815 Norell Ave N
Oak Park Heights 651-439-7476

Hangers

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
121 Chestnut St E
Stillwater 651-439-2250

Saint Croix Cleaners
10075 City Walk Dr
Woodbury 651-731-3030

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
1460 Frontage Rd W
Stillwater 651-430-369

Saint Croix Cleaners
9900 Valley Creek Rd
Woodbury 651-730-6065

Shorty Cleaner Launderer
206 2nd St
Hudson 715-386-3353

Saint Croix Cleaners
7420 80th Ave N
Cottage Grove 651-251-6886

Saint Croix Cleaners
5843 Neal Ave N
Stillwater 651-351-1656

Wal-Mart
5815 Norell Ave N
Oak Park Heights 651-439-7476

Hearing Aids

If the hearing aid cannot be reused, remove the batteries and place in the trash.

For proper disposal of the batteries, see [Button Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Stokes Jewelry
113 Main St S
Stillwater 651-439-0921



Did You Know?

Many senior centers collect hearing aids and button batteries for reuse and recycling.

Check with local organizations to see if they are accepting.

Holiday Lights

The Recycling Association of Minnesota has a new recycling program just in time for the holidays. Working or non-working holiday light strings can be brought to a drop-off box at your nearest participating Snyders store.

For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit www.recycleminnesota.org.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Insulation

See [Asbestos](#) for more information on insulation containing asbestos.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact first to see if they accept insulation.)



Did You Know?

For more reuse or donation opportunities, see [Building Materials](#).

Lawn Mowers

For disposal of the gasoline, see [Gasoline](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact first to see if they accept lawn mowers.)

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any. (Some locations may also accept weed trimmers, garden tillers, chainsaws, small lawn tractors and snow blowers.)

A & F Auto Parts
10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544

Gerlach Service
7473 Lamar Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-1441

Hugo Auto & Truck Parts
16615 Forest Blvd N
Hugo 651-429-5420

Hugo Equipment Company
13997 Forest Blvd N
Hugo 651-429-8163

JR's Advanced Recyclers
8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

K & B Small Engine Repair
9651 152nd Ave NE
Forest Lake 651-464-3280

Northwood Power Equipment
7320 Stillwater Blvd N
Oakdale 651-777-0606

Roger's Auto & Truck Parts
10870 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-768-0000

Wally's Small Engine Repair
20965 Saint Croix Tr N
Scandia 651-433-2686



Did You Know?

Most salvage yards will accept lawn mowers if the non-metal components are removed.

See [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.

Lead

Lead is a highly toxic metal that can be found in a variety of products, such as television and computer screens, car batteries, fishing tackle, ammunition, and in paint in many homes built before 1978.

For more information on the hazards associated with lead, see www.epa.gov/lead/ or www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/lead/index.html.

Find chemical safety rankings for more than 1,500 popular toys and children's products at www.healthytoys.org.

Disposal Options:

If you have a car battery, see [Batteries \(automotive\)](#).

If you have lead recalled toys, see [Lead recalls and proper management](#).

If you have lead fishing tackle, see [Environmental Center](#).

If you have ammunition or lead paint chips, contact the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment at 651-430-6655 for special disposal information.

See [Scrap Metal](#).

Light Bulbs

Incandescent bulbs can be placed in the trash. Fluorescent bulbs use less energy, but contain hazardous materials and need to be disposed of properly. Halogen lamps are similar to incandescent bulbs and may be placed in the trash.

For more information on this topic, go to [Energy Star](#)®

For disposal options on fluorescent bulbs, see [Fluorescent Bulbs](#).

See [Holiday Lights](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Batteries Plus
1480 Weir Dr Suite 200
Woodbury 651-714-4846



Did You Know?

Check out www.reduce.org to find out how to reduce the unwanted mail you receive from direct mailers.

Magazines & Catalogs

Disposal Options:

See Recycling Options.

-Additional donation opportunity; contact them directly for more information.

Half Price Books

8601 Springbrook Dr
Coon Rapids 763-784-1500

Half Price Books

2982 White Bear Ave N
Maplewood 651-773-0631

Half Price Books_

2041 Ford Parkway
Saint Paul 651-699-1391



Did You Know?

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Mail

Disposal Options:

See Recycling Options.



Did You Know?

Check out www.reduce.org on how to reduce the amount of unsolicited mail you receive at home.



Did You Know?

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Mattresses

Disposal Options:

See *Disposal Sites*.

See *Waste Haulers*.

(Contact first to see if they accept mattresses.)

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Affordable Mattress Inc
2316 Jefferson St NE
Minneapolis 612-782-8830

Northern Metal Recycling
201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-430-2809

PLL Industries
1179 15th Ave SE
Minneapolis 612-332-0664

Medications

Washington County residents may now dispose of their unused and expired medications at a year-round collection drop box at the Sheriff's Office Main Lobby at the Law Enforcement Center in Stillwater.

Old and unused medicines in your home can pose a risk for accidental poisoning, theft, and drug abuse. Research also shows that medication put in the trash or flushed can pollute water and harm fish and wildlife. Instead of flushing or throwing them in the trash, drop the drugs off for safe and free disposal.

For more information on hours, locations and procedures for drop off go to www.co.washington.mn.us/meds

Help protect our kids, environment, and community.



Safety Tip

Antibiotics, hormones and other medications are being found in waterways, raising questions about potential health and environmental effects.

For more information on this issue go to [Environmental Protection Agency](http://www.epa.gov).

Mercury

Mercury is commonly found in thermometers, batteries, thermostats, fluorescent bulbs and various switches, and is a hazardous material which should be properly disposed.

Mercury vapor is odorless and colorless, and can build up in the environment. Avoid skin contact and inhalation of this material.

If you have spilled mercury, do not wash it down the drain. Contain the spill, and collect the mercury and clean the affected area immediately. For detailed information on mercury spill clean-up, see [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

If you have any health concerns regarding mercury, contact your physician or the [Minnesota Department of Health](#).



Did You Know?

It is **ILLEGAL** to throw mercury and mercury containing items, such as a thermometer, thermostat, electric switch, appliance, gauge, medical or scientific instrument, electric relay, or a fluorescent or high intensity discharge lamp, in the trash or waste water systems. Mercury must be recycled.

Mirrors

Mirrors are not collected with curbside recyclables and can be placed in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Mothballs

Mothballs are flammable and toxic and should be properly disposed. Avoid inhalation, and keep away from children and pets.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Nail Polish & Removers

Nail polish and removers are flammable and can be toxic if not disposed of properly.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Needles (Medical Sharps, Syringes, Lancets)

Household sharps may include needles, syringes and lancets used for home health care. Sharps can be a safety hazard for garbage haulers and solid waste facility operations if not disposed of properly.

To prevent injury and disease transmission from needle-sticks, never leave needles or syringes on streets, in parks, or anywhere else where someone could get injured.

See the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's [Safe Disposal Options for Needles and Syringes](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Needles, syringes and lancets from households are accepted at the Environmental Center and remote collection events. The following is the process for dropping off needles:

- Place needles into a rigid container such as a plastic laundry detergent bottle, coffee can with the lid taped shut or sharps container.
- Put sharps in point-first
- Label container: "DO NOT RECYCLE —HOUSE HOLD SHARPS"
- Bring containers to the Washington County Environmental Center.
- Keep sharps containers separate and identifiable from all other waste.
- When you arrive, tell the staff you have a sharps container and place it on the cart as directed.
- Loose needles are not accepted.

In addition, some healthcare providers and pharmacies offer collection programs. Please contact your local clinic, hospital, or pharmacy for more information. Do not bring used needles and syringes to these locations if they are unable to accept them.

*GRP and Associates
1-800-207-0976
Mail Back Program
www.sharpsdisposal.com

*Medical Disposal Systems
1475 Stagecoach Rd
Shakopee 952-445-7440
www.mds-mn.com

*Sharps Compliance Inc
713-432-0300
Mail Back Program
www.Sharpsinc.com

*Fees Apply

Newspapers & Ad Supplements

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

Office Paper

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).



Did You Know?

Reduce the amount of paper you use by printing or copying on both sides.



Did You Know?

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Oil & Oil Filters

Oil and oil filters are hazardous materials, and should be disposed of properly. Do not store oil outside, and avoid mixing with other materials, including water, which prevents oil from being recycled.

It is **ILLEGAL** to pour used oil on the ground, down a drain or sewer or in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Automotive](#).

See [Environmental Center](#).

(Accepted from residents in 5 gallon containers or less; please keep separate from all other products)



Did You Know?

According to state law, any place that sells oil must either collect used oil or post a sign identifying the location of a collection site.

Packing Peanuts

There are two types of packing peanuts, styrofoam packing peanuts and starch-based packing peanuts. You can dispose of starch-based packing peanuts by dissolving them in water or by composting them.

Disposal Options:

See *Waste Haulers*.
(For styrofoam peanuts.)

~ *Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.*

The UPS Store
5865 Neal Ave N
Stillwater 651-351-7200

Pack & Mail
7060 Valley Creek Plaza #115
Woodbury 651-739-2026

Musicmaker's Kits
14525 61st Street Ct N
Stillwater 651-439-9120



Did You Know?

For additional retailers near you that accept styrofoam packing peanuts, call the **Plastic Loose Fill Association** (aka Polystyrene Loose Fill) at 1-800-828-2214.



Did You Know?

Most places that accept packing peanuts also accept bubble wrap.

Paint & Paint Cans

Latex paint is water-based and non-hazardous. Latex paint can be recycled or dried out. Do not put liquid paint in the trash.

Oil-based paints, stains and varnishes contain solvents which are flammable and can cause health effects if the fumes are inhaled or the paint is ingested. Oil-based paint must be recycled; do not dry out oil-based paint.

It is safe to place empty paint, stain and varnish cans in your trash.

Disposal Options:

See *Environmental Center*

See *Waste Haulers*.

For paint thinners and strippers, please see *Solvents*.



Did You Know?

If your paint is still usable, bring it to the *Environmental Center* so someone else can use it through the *Free Product Exchange Program*.

Pesticides

Pesticides include any herbicide or fungicide, and various other substances used to control pests. Exposure to the chemicals can occur through skin absorption, inhalation or ingestion. Pesticides are hazardous, and should be disposed of properly.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

For information on safety and health issues related to pesticides or types of pesticides, a list of banned pesticides and more, see the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) for more information.

Phone Books

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).



Did You Know?

You can stop the delivery of unsolicited telephone books by signing up at www.yellowpagesgoesgreen.org



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Pianos & Organs

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept pianos and organs.)

-Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Laursen Piano Service
16201 Birch Ln
Minnetonka 952-988-9363

Pipe

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).



Did You Know?

For more disposal options on pipe, look under [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.



Did You Know?

For more information on why certain plastics aren't accepted for recycling, see www.eurekarecycling.org/inf_facts.cfm

Plastic Bottles/Containers

Number 1 and Number 2 narrow neck plastic bottles are accepted through your curbside recycling program. Some haulers will accept additional types of plastics.

Plastics that once contained hazardous materials, such as motor oil and antifreeze, may not be accepted for recycling, and should be placed in the trash.

See [Plastic Containers - #5](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Recycling Options](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Plastic Bubble Wrap

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

~Additional disposal options: contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Musicmaker's Kits
14525 61st Street Ct N
Stillwater 651-439-9120

Pack & Mail
7060 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury 651-739-2026

The UPS Store
5865 Neal Ave N
Stillwater 651-351-7200

Plastic Containers - #5

The following containers are usually made from #5 plastic: yogurt, cottage cheese, cream cheese, ricotta cheese, margarine and hummus containers, medicine bottles, some ice cream containers, and food storage and take-out containers.

Most haulers do not collect #5 plastic containers with residential curbside programs. See [Recycling Providers](#) for information on your curbside recycling program.

Non-recyclable plastic containers may be placed in the trash.

Disposal Options:

You can recycle #5 plastic containers through the [Preserve Gimme 5](#) program. You also have the option to mail your #5 containers to [Preserve](#).

River Market
221 N Main St
Stillwater 651-439-0366



Did You Know?

For more information on why certain plastics aren't accepted for recycling, see www.eurekarecycling.org/inf_facts.cfm

Pool Chemicals

Pool chemicals are highly corrosive and flammable, and should be disposed of properly.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

Different types of pool chemicals can react violently when mixed, producing toxic gases, fire or an explosion.

Keep pool chemicals separate and never handle near sources of ignition.

Power Tools

For proper disposal of the batteries, see [Rechargeable Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

JR's Advanced Recyclers

8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Printer Cartridges

Inkjet and laser printer cartridges are safe to place in your trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Cartridge World
7455 Currell Blvd Ste 111
Woodbury 651-739-0060

Office Max
8222 Tamarack Village
Woodbury 651-730-0494

Office Max
125 12th St SW
Forest Lake 651-466-0721

Printer Ribbons

Disposal Options:

See *Waste Haulers*.

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Office Max
125 12th St SW
Forest Lake 651-466-0721

Office Max
8222 Tamarack Village
Woodbury 651-730-0494

Propane Tanks

Refillable and disposable tanks are the two most common types of propane tanks or cylinders. The refillable propane tanks are commonly used for grills or space heaters.

Propane tanks are hazardous and should be properly disposed due to the flammable contents and the pressurized containers.

Disposal Options:

See *Environmental Center*.

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

A & F Auto Parts
10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544

Lakes Gas Company
39056 Branch Ave
North Branch 651-674-4478

Ace Hardware & Paint
1662 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-439-8233

River City Services
201 2nd Ave S
Bayport 651-470-5000

Frattalone's Ace Hardware
1750 Weir Dr
Woodbury 651-738-1697

Seasons Market Holiday
(For Gas Grills)
757 Radio Dr
Woodbury 651-731-0527

Jr's Advanced Recyclers
8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Veolia Environmental Services
309 Como Ave
Saint Paul 651-487-8546

Lakes Gas Company
655 Lake St S
Forest Lake 651-464-3345



Did You Know?

As of April 1st, 2002, it is unlawful in Minnesota for retailers and tank distributors to refill propane tanks that do not have an overflow protection device.

Some old tanks need to be retro-fitted with a new device, whereas other tanks need to be recycled.

Sawdust

For sawdust made from treated wood, see [Treated Wood](#) for disposal options.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

You can reuse sawdust as mulch around shrubs and garden plants as long as it is not from treated wood.

Sawdust is also a great source of carbon for your home compost bin. For more information, see [Washington County's Backyard Composting](#) Web site.

Scrap Metal

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

A & F Auto Parts
10876 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-459-3544

Alter Metal Recycling
801 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-222-2751

City Tech
6563 145th Ave NE
Forest Lake 651-464-6763

Northern Metal Recycling
521 Barge Channel Rd
Saint Paul 651-224-4877

Jr's Advanced Recyclers
8980 Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

National Recycling Inc (NRI)
15717 Forest Blvd
Hugo 651-407-0092

Roger's Auto & Truck Parts
10870 Ideal Ave S
Cottage Grove 651-768-0000

Winnick Supply Co
92 SW 11th Ave
Forest Lake 651-464-3920

Sheetrock

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept sheetrock.)



Did You Know?

For large amounts of sheetrock or shingles, see [Construction and Demolition Debris](#) for more disposal options.

Shingles

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept shingles.)

Siding

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept siding.)



Did You Know?

If your siding or sink is aluminum or steel, it can be recycled.

See [Scrap Metal](#) for more information.

Sinks

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept sinks.)

Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

1. All types of carbon monoxide detectors may be placed in the trash.
2. Smoke detectors that contain a small amount of radioactive material should be returned to the manufacturer for disposal. Otherwise, put in the trash.
3. Many smoke and carbon monoxide detectors contain batteries. For proper disposal, see [Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Soil

Disposal Options:

Contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Cottage Grove Compost Site

Rumpca Companies Inc
9600 Glendenning Rd
Cottage Grove 651-459-1556

Hammes Sand & Gravel

10105 10th St N
Lake Elmo 651-436-6696

Miller Excavating

3636 Stagecoach Tr N
Baytown 651-439-1637

Woodbury Compost Site

Composting Concepts
4600 Cottage Grove Dr
Woodbury 651-436-1213

Solvents

Solvents commonly include: paint thinners, strippers, removers and rubbing alcohol.

Solvents are flammable and hazardous and should be disposed of properly. Prevent solvents from going into septic systems, onto the land or into lakes and streams.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).



Safety Tip

Avoid completely filling solvent containers and keep a lid on solvents when storing and transporting.

Do not store solvents in a car trunk due to the threat of explosion from heat or impact.

Styrofoam (Polystyrene)

Styrofoam commonly includes: cups, trays and materials used to protect items during shipping. Styrofoam *is not* recyclable and should be placed in the trash.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Syringes

Household sharps may include needles, syringes and lancets used for home health care. Sharps can be a safety hazard for garbage haulers and solid waste facility operations if not disposed of properly.

To prevent injury and disease transmission from needle-sticks, never leave needles or syringes on streets, in parks, or anywhere else where someone could get injured.

See the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's [Safe Disposal Options for Needles and Syringes](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Needles, syringes and lancets from households are accepted at the Environmental Center and remote collection events. The following is the process for dropping off needles:

- Place needles into a rigid container such as a plastic laundry detergent bottle, coffee can with the lid taped shut or sharps container.
- Put sharps in point-first
- Label container: "DO NOT RECYCLE —HOUSE HOLD SHARPS"
- Bring containers to the Washington County Environmental Center
- Keep sharps containers separate and identifiable from all other waste.
- When you arrive, tell the staff you have a sharps container and place it on the cart as directed.
- Loose needles are not accepted.

In addition, some healthcare providers and pharmacies offer collection programs. Please contact your local clinic, hospital, or pharmacy for more information. Do not bring used needles and syringes to these locations if they are unable to accept them.

***GRP and Associates**
1-800-207-0976
Mail Back Program
www.sharpsdisposal.com

***Medical Disposal Systems**
1475 Stagecoach Rd
Shakopee 952-445-7440
www.mds-mn.com

***Sharps Compliance Inc**
713-432-0300
Mail Back Program
www.Sharpsinc.com

*Fees Apply

Thermometers

The three most common types of thermometers are alcohol, digital and mercury. Alcohol thermometers contain a red liquid, commonly found in outdoor thermometers, and like digital thermometers are not hazardous.

Mercury thermometers contain a silver liquid, which is poisonous and highly toxic and should be disposed of properly. For information on the hazards associated with mercury, clean-up procedure and more, see [Mercury](#).

It is **ILLEGAL** to throw a mercury thermometer, or any other mercury containing product in the trash. Mercury must be disposed of at an approved site.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#) (for alcohol and digital thermometers only).



Safety Tip

If you have spilled mercury, do not wash down the drain, contain the spill, collect the mercury and clean up immediately.

For detailed information on mercury spill clean-up, see [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#).

Tin Cans

Disposal Options:

See Recycling Options.

Tires

It is **ILLEGAL** to place tires in the trash. Tires are a fire hazard and when left outside provide a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

Disposal Options:

See Automotive.

See Disposal Sites.



Did You Know?

You can also call your local tire store or the place of purchase for more disposal options.

Toilets

Disposal Options:

See Disposal Sites.

See Donation Opportunities.

See Waste Haulers.

(Contact first to see if they accept toilets.)

Toner Cartridges

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Office Max
125 12th St SW
Forest Lake 651-466-0721

Office Max
1901 Market Dr
Stillwater 651-351-0357

Office Max
8222 Tamarack Village
Woodbury 651-730-0494

Toys

If the toy contains batteries, see [Batteries](#) for proper disposal options.

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Treated Wood

Treated wood should be properly disposed due to the hazardous chemical preservatives on the wood.

Do not burn treated wood. The fumes and ash can be toxic.

Disposal Options:

See [Compost Sites](#).

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept treated wood.)



Safety Tip

Consider safer and more environmentally friendly alternatives when selecting building materials for your next project.

Instead of treated wood, you can use:
recycled plastic material,
redwood and/or cedar, or
wood treated with less toxic preservatives.

Tree Waste (Diseased)

Trees with diseases such as Oak Wilt, Emerald Ash Borer, and Dutch Elm Disease can potentially spread their diseases to other Minnesota trees if not handled properly.

For identification of Oak Wilt:

See <http://www.na.fs.fed.us/pubs/detail.cfm?id=921>

For identification of Emerald Ash Borer:

See <http://www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/eab/id/id.shtm>

For identification of Dutch Elm Disease:

See http://www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/howtos/ht_ded/ht_ded.htm

For more information on specific tree waste problems, contact your city forester.

Disposal Options:

To stop the spread of disease, follow these tips before transporting diseased tree waste:

- Remove bark from the tree. The bark can be taken to the compost site in bags.
- Allow tree waste to dry out before transporting.

See [Compost Sites](#).

(Not all sites accept diseased tree and wood waste. Please call ahead for details.)



Did You Know?

Moving firewood from one area to another can spread invasive pests that are harmful to Minnesota trees.

For firewood rules and information, see the [Minnesota Department of Natural Resources](#).

Vacuum Cleaners

If your vacuum cleaner has a cord, it is safe to place in the trash.
If your vacuum cleaner contains a battery, remove the battery, and place in the trash.

For proper disposal of the battery, see [Batteries](#) for more information.

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).
(Contact first to see if they accept vacuum cleaners.)



Safety Tip

Never vacuum up hazardous materials, such as spilled mercury.

In the event that you have contaminated your vacuum with a hazardous material, bring it to the [Environmental Center](#).

Videotapes

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

- The following companies are sell back options; contact them directly for more information.

Half Price Books
8601 Springbrook Dr
Coon Rapids 763-784-1500

Half Price Books
2982 White Bear Ave
Maplewood 651-773-0631

Half Price Books
2041 Ford Parkway
Saint Paul 651-699-1391

Water Softeners

Water softeners and brine tanks do not contain any hazardous materials and can be thrown in the trash.

Disposal Options: ~Additional disposal option;
 contact to confirm hours, locations
 and charges for services, if any.

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

JR's Advanced Recyclers
Jefferson Tr
Inver Grove Heights 651-454-5995

Window & Plate Glass

Disposal Options:

See [Disposal Sites](#).

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

Windshield Washer Fluid

Windshield washer fluid may contain antifreeze or alcohol, which are hazardous and should be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Wire

Disposal Options:

See [Donation Opportunities](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).



Did You Know?

If the wire is metal and cannot be reused, see [Scrap Metal](#) for more disposal options.

Wood Preservatives

Wood preservatives are used to treat wood and may contain pesticides and other poisons. The preservatives are hazardous and should be properly disposed.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Wrapping Paper

On an average day, a typical Minnesotan creates roughly six pounds of waste; but from Thanksgiving to New Years Day, household waste increases by more than 25%. A large portion of this added waste is from gift wrap.

See the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's [No Waste Holiday](#) page for easy, environmentally friendly ways to wrap your gifts.

See [Spend, Ship, Save the Planet: Eco-Friendly Gift Wrap](#) for sustainable products available.

Disposal Options:

See [Waste Haulers](#).

~Additional disposal options; contact to confirm hours, locations and charges for services, if any.

Pack & Mail

7060 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury 651-739-2026



Did You Know?

Decorative wrapping paper contains clay, which makes it difficult to recycle. Wrapping paper should be placed in the trash.

X-rays

X-rays contain small amounts of silver and should be disposed of properly.

Disposal Options:

See [Environmental Center](#).

Yard & Tree Waste

It is ILLEGAL to dispose of yard waste, such as garden waste, leaves, lawn cuttings, weeds, shrub and tree waste, and pruning in your trash.

For information on diseased wood and tree waste see [Diseased Tree Waste](#).

Disposal Options:

See [Compost Sites](#).

See [Waste Haulers](#).

(Contact first to see if they accept yard and tree waste. Most will take for composting.)



Did You Know?

***New Compostable Bag Requirements
for Curbside Yard Waste Collection***

On January 1, 2010, plastic bags were banned from curbside yard waste collection use. Yard waste bagged for curbside pickup is required to be in compostable bags, available in both paper and plastic. Find out more at RethinkRecycling.com/compostablebags.

Residents who use yard waste carts or who debag yard waste at a drop-off facility are not affected.

Automotive

**Some locations will also take tractor & semi-truck batteries*

**Used oil may include transmission fluid and gear lube*

**Make sure used oil does not mix with antifreeze, water, gas or dirt*

**Make sure antifreeze does not get mixed with oil or dirt*

Materials Accepted

	Antifreeze*	Automobiles (Whole) <small>*Some locations also take snow mobiles, motorcycles & ATVs</small>	Auto, Boat & Motorcycle Batteries*	Car Parts	Car Engines	Oil*	Oil Filters	Tires	Transmission Fluid/ Power Steering Fluid
Cottage Grove									
A&F Auto Parts 10876 Ideal Ave S...651-459-3544		X		X	X				
Gerlach Service 7473 Lamar Ave S...651-459-1441	X		X	X		X	X	X	
Roger's Auto & Truck Parts 10870 Ideal Ave S...651-768-0000	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tires Plus 7199 East Point Douglas Rd S...651-458-1812			X					X	
Forest Lake									
City Tech 6563 145th Ave NE...651-464-6763								X	
Forest Lake BP 1267 Broadway Ave W...651-464-7812			X			X	X	X	
Forest Lake NAPA 656 Lake St S...651-464-4225			X						
O'Reilly Auto Parts 519 Lake St S...651-464-6240			X			X			
Prime Auto 731 Lake St S...651-464-8410						X		X	
Reub's Tire Shop 308 N Lake St...651-464-2245								X	
Tires Plus 979 Broadway Ave W...651-464-3312			X			X		X	
Wal-Mart 200 12th St SW...651-464-9740			X			X		X	
Wilcox Chevrolet/Cadillac 533 19th ST SW...651-464-1400	X		X			X	X		X



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There will be a fee to drop off tires. There may be a fee to drop off other items.

Automotive

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*Used oil may include transmission fluid and gear lube

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*Make sure antifreeze does not get mixed with oil or dirt

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Hugo									
Hugo Auto & Truck Parts 16615 Forest Blvd N....651-429-5420	X	X	X	X	X				X
Hugo Equipment Company 13997 Forest Blvd N....651-429-8163			X	X	X	X			
Lake Elmo									
Lake Elmo Repair 11179 Stillwater Blvd N....651-770-7699	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Mahtomedi									
Wildwood Service 1000 Wildwood Rd....651-779-9861	X		X			X	X	X	X
Marine on Saint Croix									
Ostlund's Marine Standard 180 Judd St....651-433-2038	X		X			X	X	X	
Newport									
M-B Tire Co 100 7th Ave....651-459-9101			X					X	
Master Tech Auto & Tire 1206 Hastings....651-459-5040			X			X	X	X	
Newport NAPA 1594 Hastings Ave....651-458-8000			X						



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Oak Park Heights									
NAPA Auto Parts 14399 60th St N....651-439-2638			X						
Oakdale									
Myron's Service Center 3240 Ideal Ave N....651-770-5329			X		X	X	X		
National Tire & Battery 1007 Geneva Ave N....651-731-3966	X		X		X	X	X		
Saint Paul									
Alter Metal Recycling 801 Barge Channel Rd....651-222-2751			X						
Veolia Environmental Services 309 Como Ave....651-487-8546			X					X	
Saint Paul Park									
Broadway Automotive 228 Broadway Ave....651-459-5719			X						
Scandia									
Wally's Small Engine Repair 20965 Saint Croix Tr N....651-433-2686			X						



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Stillwater									
Ace Hardware 1662 Market Dr....651-439-8233			X						
Carquest Inc 6118 Osgood Ave N....651-439-5556			X						
Fred's Tire Company 14520 60th St N....651-439-0404			X			X	X	X	X
NAPA Auto Parts 14399 60th St N....651-439-2638			X						
Rick's 36 Automotive Service 2255 Tower Dr....651-433-6254	X		X			X	X	X	X
Sharp Auto Parts 2910 Quant Ave N....651-439-2604		X							
Stillwater Motor Company 5900 Stillwater Blvd N....651-439-4333	X		X			X	X		
Woodbury									
Batteries Plus 1480 Weir Dr....651-714-4846			X						
Goodyear 1707 Wier Dr....651-738-9202						X		X	
Northern Tool & Equipment 1480 Weir Dr Suite 100....651-714-1233			X						
Wyoming									
Forest Lake Sanitation/SRC 6320 E Viking Blvd....651-462-1099						X			



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Compost Sites

*The sites listed are not owned or operated by Washington County

Fees may apply. Contact compost sites for details.

Materials Accepted

Materials Available

	Brush	Christmas Trees	Grass	Lake Weeds	Leaves	Pumpkins	Stumps	Treated Wood	Tree Waste	Finished Compost	Mulch	Wood Chips
Bayport												
Northern Metal Recycling 201 2nd Ave S...651-430-2809 <i>(Open to all county residents and businesses)</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
Cottage Grove												
Location: 9600 Glendenning Rd ... Rumpca Companies Inc ...651-459-1556 Open: April 1 - December 1 See Website for Hours of Operation <i>(Open all county residents)</i>	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hugo												
Location: West of Highway 61 on 170th St N...651-429-6676 Open: Mid-April - Mid-November Call for Hours of Operation <i>(Open only to residents of Hugo)</i>			X		X				X			
Marine on Saint Croix												
Location: North on Highway 95 next to the community drain-field...651-433-3636 Open: April - October Call for Hours of Operation <i>(Open only to residents and businesses of Marine)</i>			X		X				X			



Did You Know?

To learn more about backyard composting and compost bins, check out the following websites:

- www.RethinkRecycling.com
- www.reduce.org

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Newport												
Location: 1100 Bailey Road at Sterling Ave... 651-459-2475 Open: Mid-April - Mid-November Call for Hours of Operation <i>(Open only to residents of Newport and local businesses)</i>	X	X	X							X°	X°	X°
Saint Paul Park												
Location: Next to Riverside Park on 13th Ave, west of 3rd St... 651-459-9785 Open: Mid-April - Mid-November Call for Hours of Operation <i>(Open only to Saint Paul Park residents)</i>	X	X	X	X				X*	X			X
Woodbury												
Location: 4600 Cottage Grove Dr ...Composting Concepts ...651-769-0531 Open: April - November Call for Hours of Operation <i>(Open to anyone for yard waste and brush)</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X°	X°	X°	X°



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www.RethinkRecycling.com
www.reduce.org

* Branches up to 4" in diameter
° While supplies last

Disposal Sites

Materials Accepted

*Call sites first for disposal costs.
Prices vary by location.

	Appliances	Building Materials	Bulky Items (i.e. furniture)	Construction/ Demolition Debris	Computers/TVs	Household Garbage	Scrap Metal	Tires	Treated Wood
Bayport									
Northern Metal Recycling 201 2nd Ave S...651-430-2809	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Burnsville									
Burnsville Landfill 2650 Cliff Rd W...952-890-3248	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Elk River									
Elk River Landfill 22460 Highway 169 NW...763-441-2464	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Forest Lake									
City-Tech Recycling 6563 145th Ave NE...651-464-6763	X		X			X	X		
Inver Grove Heights									
Pine Bend Landfill 2495 117th St E...651-457-2778	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
SKB Demolition Landfill 2490 117th St E...651-224-6329	X	X	X	X			X		
Newport									
Resource Recovery 2901 Maxwell Ave...651-768-6670		X**	X	X		X	X		
Rosemount									
SKB Environmental 13425 Courthouse Blvd...651-438-1500				X					
Saint Paul									
J and J Recycling 607 Barge Channel Rd...651-227-4457	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Twin City Refuse & Recycling 318 W Water St...651-227-1549	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Veolia Environmental Services 309 Como Ave...651-487-8546	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wyoming									
Forest Lake Sanitation/SRC 6320 Viking Blvd E...651-462-1099	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

* Call your city or township to find out if spring or fall clean-ups are scheduled and what items will be accepted.
* For large amounts of waste, you may want to arrange for a roll-off container to be dropped off at your location. Check the yellow pages under "garbage and rubbish collection."
** Sheetrock not accepted.

Donation Opportunities & Resale Stores

Materials Accepted

	Books	Building Materials	Cell Phones	Clothing & Accessories	Electronics	Eyeglasses	Furniture	Household Items	Recreational Items	Small Appliances	Toys	Vehicles
Architectural Antiques												
612-332-8344 1330 Quincy St NE, Minneapolis		X										
Cars for Courage												
1-800-440-CARS 1460 Curve Crest Blvd, Stillwater												X
Community Helping Hands												
651-464-8150 (call first) 408 15th St SW, Forest Lake			X			X	X		X			
Disabled American Veterans												
651-487-2002 20 W 12th St, Saint Paul For Vehicle donations call: 651-251-7668			X	X	X	X		X	X			X
Domestic Abuse Project												
612-874-7063 204 Franklin Ave W, Minneapolis		X	X									
Epilepsy Foundation												
651-287-2300			X				X		X	X		
Family Pathways Community Thrift Store												
651-464-4713 935 S Lake St, Forest Lake	X		X			X	X	X		X		
Goodwill												
651-439-4207 5899 Nova Scotia Ave N Oak Park Heights	X		X	X	X*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
651-731-7942 10450 Hudson Rd Woodbury												
651-770-2401 2580 White Bear Ave Maplewood												

*Restrictions may apply. Call first to see if the item(s) will be accepted.

Donation Opportunities & Resale Stores

Materials Accepted

	Books	Building Materials	Cell Phones	Clothing & Accessories	Electronics	Eyeglasses	Furniture	Household Items	Recreational Items	Small Appliances	Toys	Vehicles
Habitat for Humanity ReStore												
612-588-3820 510 W County Rd D New Brighton		X*				X						
Furnish Office & Home												
612-789-3322 850 15th Ave NE, Minneapolis						X						
Salvation Army												
612-332-5855 900 N 4th St, Minneapolis	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X*
Stone Soup Thrift Shop												
651-458-9786 950 3rd St, Suite 101, Saint Paul Park <i>Note: Free furniture pick-up every 2 weeks. Please call for details.</i>	X		X	X	X*	X	X	X	X	X*	X	
The Children's Chance Inc												
763-545-2708 PO Box 845, Hopkins	X											X*
USAgain												
651-639-0012 Call for drop-off location nearest you				X								
Vietnam Veterans of America												
651-778-8387 3080 Centerville Rd, Little Canada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Wheels For Wishes												
1-866-920-0264 2576 Doswell Ave, St Paul A vehicle donation program benefiting Make-A-Wish® Minnesota												X
Wipers Recycling LLC												
651-222-7247 501 9th Ave, Saint Paul Park	X		X	X*				X		X		

*Restrictions may apply. Call first to see if the item(s) will be accepted.

Drop-Off and Curbside Recycling Programs

Call sites first for sorting requirements and hours of operation.

Drop-Off Recycling

	Paper					Metal	Glass	Plastic*	Other			
	Newspaper	Junk Mail/Office Paper	Boxboard (cereal boxes)	Magazines	Corrugated Cardboard	Telephone Books	Aluminum Cans	Bottles & Jars	#1, #2 Plastic Bottles	Clothing	Car Batteries	Motor Oil
Saint Paul												
Veolia Environmental Services 309 Como Ave....651-487-8546	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Woodbury												
Environmental Center 4039 Cottage Grove Dr....651-430-6655	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Wyoming												
SRC - Forest Lake Sanitation 6320 E Viking Blvd....651-462-1099	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X



Remember!

The loop is not complete unless people BUY recycled goods.
Look for products labeled "made with post-consumer recycled materials."

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Drop-Off and Curbside Recycling Programs

Curbside Recycling

	Paper				Metal	Glass	Plastic*	Other						
	Newspaper	Junk Mail/Office Paper	Boxboard (cereal boxes)	Magazines	Corrugated Cardboard	Telephone Books	Aluminum Cans	Tin Cans	Bottles & Jars	#1, #2 Plastic Bottles Only	#1-7 Plastic Food & Beverage Containers	Clothing	Car Batteries	Motor Oil
Afton														
Highland Sanitation 651-458-0043 Collection: every other week on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	
Bayport														
Allied Waste/BFI 651-455-8634 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Baytown Township														
Maroney's Sanitation 651-439-7279 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	
Birchwood														
Tennis Sanitation 651-459-1887 Collection: every other Thursday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Cottage Grove														
Call your waste hauler Collection: on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Dellwood														
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Thursday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Denmark Township														
Call your waste hauler Collection: two times a month on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Forest Lake														
Forest Lake Sanitation 651-464-2321 Collection: every other week on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Grant														
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			

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Grey Cloud Island Township													
Tennis Sanitation 651-459-1887 Collection: every Tuesday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Hugo													
Call your waste hauler Collection: on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	
Lake Elmo													
Call your waste hauler Collection: on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Lake Saint Croix Beach													
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Thursday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Lakeland													
Maroney's Sanitation 651-439-7279 Collection: every Thursday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Lakeland Shores													
Maroney's Sanitation 651-439-7279 Collection: every Thursday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Landfall													
Tennis Sanitation 651-459-1887 Collection: every Wednesday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Mahtomedi													
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Marine on Saint Croix													
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			

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May Township														
Call your waste hauler	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Collection: on trash day														
Newport														
Call your waste hauler	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Collection: on trash day														
Oak Park Heights														
Advanced Disposal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
651-487-8546														
Collection: weekly on trash day														
Oakdale														
Call your waste hauler	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Collection: weekly on trash day														
Pine Springs														
Waste Management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
952-890-1100														
Collection: every other Thursday														
Saint Mary's Point														
Waste Management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
952-890-1100														
Collection: Monday-Friday														
Saint Paul Park														
Call your waste hauler			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Collection: on trash day														
Scandia														
Forest Lake Sanitation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
651-464-2321														
Collection: every other week on trash day														
Stillwater														
Waste Management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
952-890-1100														
Collection: every other week on trash day														

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Stillwater Township														
Call your waste hauler Collection: on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
West Lakeland Township														
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Friday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
White Bear Lake														
Advanced Disposal 651-487-8546 Collection: weekly on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Willernie														
Waste Management 952-890-1100 Collection: every other Monday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Woodbury														
Call your waste hauler Collection: on trash day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				



Recycling Makes a Difference!

Each ton of paper recycled means that 17 trees do not need to be cut and made into paper.

The 16,000 tons of paper recycled by Washington County residents every year saves over 270,000 trees from being cut down!

You can help!

If you convinced two people to recycle,
and the next day they convinced two people to recycle, and so on,
it would take less than a month for everyone in the United States to recycle!

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Waste Haulers

City	City's Phone	Contract Hauler	Hauler's Phone
Afton	651-436-5090	Highland Sanitation	651-458-0043
Bayport	651-275-4404	BFI/Allied	651-455-8634
Baytown Township	651-430-4992	Open - Call Township	
Birchwood	651-426-3403	Tennis Sanitation	651-459-1887
Cottage Grove	651-458-2800	Open - Call City	
Dellwood	651-429-1356	Open - Call City	
Denmark Township	651-436-1704	Open - Call Township	
Forest Lake	651-464-3550	Forest Lake Sanitation	651-464-2321
Grant	651-426-3383	Open - Call City	
Grey Cloud Island Township	651-459-6236	Open - Call Township	
Hugo	651-762-6300	Open - Call City	
Lake Elmo	651-777-5510	Open - Call City	
Lake Saint Croix Beach	651-436-7031	Open - Call City	
Lakeland	651-436-4430	Open - Call City	
Lakeland Shores	651-436-1789	Open - Call City	
Landfall	651-739-4123	Tennis Sanitation	651-459-1887
Mahtomedi	651-426-3344	Open - Call City	
Marine on Saint Croix	651-433-3636	Waste Management	952-890-1100
May Township	651-439-1706	Open - Call Township	
Newport	651-459-5677	Open - Call City	
Oak Park Heights	651-439-4439	Veolia Environmental	651-459-3029
Oakdale	651-739-5086	Open - Call City	
Pine Springs	651-770-5720	Open - Call City	
Saint Mary's Point	651-436-1099	Open - Call City	
Saint Paul Park	651-459-9785	Open - Call City	
Scandia	651-433-2274	Open - Call City	
Stillwater	651-430-8800	Waste Management	952-890-1100
Stillwater Township	Call Township	Open - Call Township	
West Lakeland Township	651-436-4773	Open - Call Township	
White Bear Lake	651-429-8526	Veolia Environmental	651-459-3029
Willernie	651-429-2977	Waste Management	952-890-1100
Woodbury	651-714-3500	Open - Call City	