



# HOW DO I DISPOSE OF...?

## TRASH AND RECYCLING CHEAT SHEET

### BATTERIES

Battery Wholesale located at 1002 N. Main Street in Adrian accepts all recyclable batteries - 517-263-3462. They may be able to help you determine which ones are recyclable. Lowe's located at 1369 Division Street in Adrian accepts lithium and rechargeable batteries - 517-266-1000. Staples accepts rechargeable batteries - 517-266-1176. Recycle ANN ARBOR 2950 E. Ellsworth in Ann Arbor accepts lithium and rechargeable batteries 734-971-7400.

It's always best to contact them directly for confirmation prior to dropping off.

### BOOKS

First, try to donate to your local library or charitable organization, such as Goodwill or Salvation Army.

Paperbacks, magazines, newspapers and inserts, and phone books are accepted at the Lenawee County Recycling Drop-Off Site. Hardcover are not, and can be disposed of in the trash.

### FLORESCENT BULBS

Lenawee County Building & Grounds Department will crush and dispose of florescent tubed light bulbs for a nominal fee from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on weekdays. They only take the straight, florescent long tubes. Call 517-264-4738 for more information. Recycle Ann Arbor collects the compact florescent bulbs. Call 734-971-7400. Home Depot in Jackson and Ypsilanti collects the compact florescent bulbs.

### GROCERY BAGS

Paper grocery bags can be placed in your regular recycling, plastic bags cannot. Check with your local grocery store to find out if they take plastic bags for recycling.

### BULK TRASH

We do not have an active landfill in Lenawee County - so that means disposing of your bulk trash will require a bit of travel. Contact your municipality or waste hauler to see what their bulk trash collection policies are or if there are any cleanup events. You can also take your bulk trash items to:

- Liberty Landfill in Clarklake - 517-787-1177
- Jefferson Township Transfer Station in Osseo 517-523-3019
- Stevens Disposal in Petersburg 734-279-2611

Please call ahead to find out the prices for disposal!

### CARDBOARD

The Lenawee County Recycling Drop Off Site (DOS) is open for use by all Lenawee County residents and accepts cardboard and paper. Make sure to flatten your boxes.

If you have a large load of cardboard, you can avoid the compactor and take them to Goodwill Industries and their recycling center, located at 1357 Division St. (near Lowe's).

### FREON

Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and water coolers contain ozone depleting refrigerants that must be removed by a certified professional. Freon removal/unit tagging fees vary. Call ahead for fees and procedures.

- Best Heating and Cooling - 517-436-6307
- Garner Heating & Cooling - 517-424-5669
- Naugle Plumbing & Heating - 517-423-3121
- OMNISource - 517-265-5195

### ELECTRONICS

If your electronics are no longer working, you can take them to:

- Goodwill (the donation center on Division next to Lowe's) - 517-263-2135.
- Select items to Staples - check their website to see what they will accept, or call 517-266-1176.
- If you have appliances, reach out to Appliance Jacks at (517) 263-7439.

It's always best to contact them directly for confirmation prior to dropping off.

### CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

Some building materials that are in re-usable condition may be accepted at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore ((517) 266-0746), or another salvage facility.

Call your local provider to see what services they may provide.

Or contact one of the following waste disposal sites:

- Liberty Landfill in Clarklake 517-787-1177.
- Jefferson Township Transfer Station in Osseo 517-523-3019.
- Stevens Disposal & Recycling in Petersburg 800-779-0344.





## GLUCOSE MONITORS/SHARPS

If the glucose testing and injection is done by a resident in their home, contact your local pharmacy for disposal instructions.

Commercially used sharps should be disposed of in accordance with the Medical Waste Regulatory Act, Part 138 of the Public Health Code.

## HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS

Cleaning products do not typically contain ingredients that would harm the environment in the quantities that are disposed of by households. The vast majority of cleaning products are water soluble and are formulated for safe disposal in either municipal or home wastewater treatment systems.

Household hazardous waste programs are intended to handle products that may cause a problem if disposed of by common methods, such as down the drain or in the trash.

Water soluble products (those mixed with water for cleaning), such as laundry and dishwashing detergents; multi-surface cleaners; bleaches; disinfectant cleaners; and liquid metal cleaners/polishes, drain openers and toilet bowl cleaners, can be flushed down the drain with running water.

Powders should be disposed of in small quantities at a time, so they don't form lumps in the drain.

Solid cleaning products, such as bar soaps, toilet bowl cleaners and soap scouring pads, can be safely disposed of in the trash.

Aerosol cans with product left in them can also be placed in the trash.

Remember, just as you shouldn't mix cleaning products together when using them, you shouldn't mix unused products during disposal.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Household Hazardous Waste can include (but is not limited to) solvent-based paints, used motor oil, certain pesticides, unknown liquids, batteries and fluorescent light bulbs. Lenawee County does not collect household hazardous waste, but Wacker Chemical and Anderson Development host a collection event each May. Residents can hold onto their HHW until then or, you can try the following:

- Recycle Ann Arbor accepts motor oils, vegetable oils, and light bulbs. They charge by the vehicle, and the cost is \$3 per day for standard vehicles and \$15 per day for large vehicles. Call 734-971-7400.
- ERG Environmental in Livonia can take a majority of household hazardous waste, including paint. They charge \$.75 per pound, with a \$25 minimum. Call 734-437-9650.

## MICROWAVE OVENS

To dispose of non-working microwave ovens, please contact Appliance Jack's at 517-263-7439.

## MOTOR OILS

Contact your local auto repair/auto parts shop or follow the Household Hazardous Waste instructions.

## PAINTS

Most common household paints are water-based latex paint and are not considered hazardous waste! They can be dried out and thrown in the regular trash (sometimes adding kitty litter helps). You can also try donating them to Habitat for Humanity or other organizations.

Oil based and spray paint cans are considered household hazardous waste. You can either hang onto them until the spring collection event, or take them to ERG Environmental in Livonia. Call 734-437-9650 for their fees.

## PESTICIDES

Follow Household Hazardous Waste instructions.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Contact your local police department (most have drop boxes), or check your local news for upcoming drug takeback collection events.

## PROPANE/GAS TANKS

Baker's Gas 517-423-0904.

## SCRAP METAL

- OMNI Source - 815 Treat Street, Adrian, MI (517) 265-5195.
- R&M Recycling - 2675 Treat Hwy, Adrian, MI (517) 263-9000.
- Goodwill SE Michigan - 1357 Division Street, Adrian, MI (517) 263-2135.

## SHIPPING SUPPLIES

Packaging Material can be recycled at:

- Postal Plus - 517-265-4072.
- GreenJack (businesses) - 517-438-0936.

Solid Styrofoam can be recycled through:

- Dart Container Corporation - 517-244-2866.
- Recycle Ann Arbor 734-971-7400.

## TIRES

Lenawee County typically holds a tire collection event in spring and fall (dependent on state funding), so check the website and local newspapers for specific dates.

Other options include:

- Jefferson Township Transfer Station - 517-523-3019.
- Huffman Rubber - 517-568-3353.

## YARD WASTE

It is illegal to send yard waste to a landfill as trash. Check with your local municipality for their yard waste pickup procedures and burn regulations. You can also visit the county's website for composting information.

Other options include:

- Adrian Composting Facility - 517-264-4888.
- Mulch King (Temperance) - 734-224-7034.
- Recycle Ann Arbor 734-971-7400.

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**questions?**

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