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Disposal Guide

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Curbside Recycling

ACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES		UNACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES
PAPER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspapers (including all inserts) • Magazines/Catalogs • Junk Mail (including envelopes) • Office Paper (including computer & copy paper) • Construction Paper • Paperback Books/Telephone Books 	PLASTIC CONTAINERS With plastic numbers #1, 2, 4, or 5 <i>LIQUIDS OUT, CAPS ON</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bottles (water, soda, juice) • Jugs (detergent, milk, juice, cleaning products, cooking oil) • Tubs (margarine, sour cream, yogurt) • Deli, Berry & Produce Containers • Cups • Lids (placed back on container) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO Appliances • NO Batteries • NO Ceramics • NO Car Parts (Brake Rotors, etc.) • NO Ceramics • NO Clothing • NO Diapers • NO Drinking Glasses • NO Electronics • NO Foam (Cups, Containers, Trays) • NO Foam Packaging • NO Food • NO Furniture • NO Hangers • NO Hoses • NO Light Bulbs • NO Loose Caps & Lids • NO Mirrors • NO Motor Oil or Air Filters • NO Paint • NO Paper Plates or Cups • NO Pesticides • NO Pipe or Tubing • NO Plastic Bags or Film • NO Propane/Helium Tanks • NO Scrap Metal • NO Sharps or Inhalers • NO Take Out Packaging or Utensils • NO Trash • NO Window Glass • NO Wires • NO Yard Waste or Compost
CARDBOARD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty Cardboard (flattened) • Food Boxes (cereal, cake mix, frozen food) • Beverage Carriers • Paper Egg Cartons • Brown Grocery Bags • Toilet Paper & Paper Towel Tubes • Tissue Box 	LARGE RIGID PLASTICS <i>REMOVE ALL METAL COMPONENTS</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plastic Buckets (5 gallon, ice cream, kitty litter) • Laundry Baskets • Plastic Crates • Plastic Dish Drying Racks 	
GLASS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bottles and Jars 	CARTONS <i>REMOVE CAPS & STRAWS</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juice Boxes • Soup Cartons • Milk & Juice Cartons 	
METAL CANS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aluminum Cans • Steel/Tin Cans • Clean Foil & Pans • Empty Aerosol Cans (not paint or pesticide cans) 		

Find out how to recycle other household items using these free resources!



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 Recycles'
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Recycling Drop-off Site

Location: DPW Facility
W225N3201 Duplainville Road

Hours: Saturdays, 9am - 3pm
Wednesdays, 1pm - 6pm (1st week in April through November only)



ITEMS ACCEPTED

Metal Cans:

Aluminum cans, tin & steel cans, empty aerosol cans (not paint or pesticide cans)

NO Scrap metal in recycling dumpster – use specified scrap metal bin

Paper & Cardboard (not bundled):

Newspapers, office paper, junk mail, brown paper bags, magazines, flattened cardboard, paper egg cartons

NO food or grease stained paper or cardboard

Cartons:

Juice boxes, soup cartons, milk & juice cartons
Remove caps & straws

Plastic Containers:

Bottles, jugs, tubs, buckets and cups
Empty with caps on
With a number 1, 2, 4, or 5 ONLY

NO foam, utensils or hangers

Glass Bottles & Jars:

Empty with caps and lids removed

NO broken glass, window glass or mirrors

Batteries:

Car & boat batteries, small lead batteries, cell phone batteries

Scrap Metal:

Use specified scrap metal bin

NO electronics or appliances

Yard Waste/Brush:

• **Leaves & Grass Clippings**

Recyclable PAPER BAGS that are sold in the local hardware stores are allowed in the composting. If bagged in plastic, they must be dumped out of the plastic bag.

NO plastic bags filled with leaves or grass clippings in the composting piles. A barrel is available for disposal of the used plastic bags. In the past, our loads of yard waste have been rejected at the Composting Facility because they contained plastic bags. NO invasive weeds.

• **Brush & Small Trees**

Wood waste should be no more than 4 inches in diameter and no longer than 6 foot sections

• **Garden Debris**

Debris only. **NO sod.**

Invasive Weeds:

- **DO NOT put in yard waste pile. Must be in a separate plastic bag, completely sealed. Please see attendant for disposal location.**

Garlic Mustard Weed



Canadian Thistle



The City of Pewaukee Recycling Center no longer accepts used automotive oil, oil filters or antifreeze.

- ✓ A “CITY TAG” must be DISPLAYED on the resident’s vehicle, in plain sight, for the attendant to view and to be admitted. For City of Pewaukee residents only. (Tags are obtained at City Hall during regular office hours with a valid Driver’s License and vehicle license plate numbers.)
- ✓ NO ADMITTANCE during unscheduled hours or days.
- ✓ NO SCAVENGING on site.
- ✓ There is an INCREASED MONITORING on the site to prevent contamination.

Materials must be placed in the correct locations at the Recycling Site.

Please see attendant for proper placement or questions.

The City has retained attendants with full authority to turn away persons and unauthorized materials.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Permanent Collection Sites

Open to any Waukesha County resident - All sites are closed on observed holidays and holiday weekends

► Check the holiday closing schedule and special collection events at www.waukeshacounty.gov/hazardouswaste

Menomonee Falls

Veolia Environmental Services
W124N9451 Boundary Road

Open January thru December

Monday and Wednesday
11:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturdays: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Waukesha

UWM-Waukesha (near water tower)
1500 North University Drive

Open March thru December

2nd and 4th Saturdays
8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Muskego

PERMANENTLY CLOSED

****VISIT WAUKESHA COUNTY
RECYCLES ON THE WAUKESHA
COUNTY WEBSITE FOR THIS
YEAR'S ONE-TIME HAZARDOUS
MATERIALS RECYCLING
COLLECTION EVENTS****

Items ACCEPTED at HHW Collection Sites

Household Items

Artist and hobby paint
Floor/wax stripper *
Compact fluorescent bulbs/lamps ¹
Metal cleaners
Mothballs
Polish and spot removers w/solvents *
Thermometers, thermostats w/mercury

Home Improvement

Adhesives, glues w/solvents *
Concrete cleaner (acid)
Furniture stripper
Lead-based paint
Oil-based paint
Paint remover
Paint thinner/turpentine
Stain, varnish, lacquer
Wood preservatives

Yard & Garden

Fertilizer w/ weed killer
Insect or bug killer
Lighter fluid
Pool chemicals
Rat/rodent poison
Weed killer

Automotive

Brake cleaner
Carburetor cleaner
Degreasers
Fuel additives
Gasoline, fuels
Road flares

* Solvent-containing products have the words: "Flammable," "Combustible," or "contains petroleum distillates" on the label. Also, products with acetone, xylene, and methylene chloride should be taken to collection site.

Items NOT ACCEPTED at HHW Collection Sites

Household Items

- Alkaline Batteries (AAA-D size)
- ♻️ Rechargeable batteries ³
- ▶️ Cleaners (water based) ²
- ▶️ Disinfectants
- Drain, oven and toilet cleaners ⁴
- Empty containers
- Medicines—consult pharmacist ⁵
- Smoke detectors (or return to Manufacturer)

- ▶️ Pour Down Drain
- Place in Trash
- ☑️ Exchange for Reuse
- ♻️ Recycle

Home Improvement

- Glaze, spackle
- Glue (water based)
- Latex paint (hardened) ⁶
- Putty, grout, caulk

Automotive

- ♻️ Antifreeze ⁷
- ♻️ Auto batteries ³
- ♻️ Brake fluid ⁷
- ♻️ Transmission fluid ⁷
- ♻️ Used motor oil and filters ⁷
- ☑️▶️ Windshield washer fluid

Yard & Garden

- Driveway sealer (Water-based)
- Empty containers
- ☑️■ Fertilizer (no weed killer)
- ☑️ Propane tanks ⁸

Dangerous Items

Ammunition/Fireworks
Call Sheriff's Dept. at
262-896-8168

Sharps (Needles/Syringes)
Consult pharmacist. DO NOT
put in trash or recycling.

References

- 1 Return or trade in at place of purchase. See www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling for locations.
- 2 Never mix products containing ammonia with those containing bleach. A toxic gas can form!
- 3 Return or trade in at place of purchase or visit www.rbcc.org for nearest location.
- 4 If packaging lists product as corrosive it will be accepted at HHW collection sites.

- 5 DO NOT FLUSH. Bag and put in trash if no collection program available.
- 6 For paint disposal guide call 262-896-8300 or visit www.waukeshacounty.gov/latexpaint
- 7 Check with your municipal drop off site or local service station.
- 8 Return or trade in at place of purchase. Buy refillable canisters whenever possible.

Recycling in the Community

Recycle beyond the curbside recycling container! Many common household items can be recycled in your community, at retail stores, thrift shops, non-profit organizations, home improvement and electronics stores.

Call retailers for details, as policies, items accepted and fees change frequently. This is not an all-inclusive list. No endorsement of any business is intended.

ITEM/MATERIAL	DESCRIPTION	LOCATIONS FOR RECYCLING
Plastic Bags	Clean, dry plastic bags from produce, newspapers, bread, dry cleaning, plastic case wrap from snack and beverage cases, and plastic packaging wrap from napkins, paper towels, bathroom tissue, and diaper packaging.	Pick 'n Save, Sam's Club, Metro Market, Woodman's, Target, Kohl's, JC Penney, Walmart. Please visit www.PlasticFilmRecycling.org for more locations that accept plastic bags for recycling.
Rechargeable Batteries & Cell Phones	Rechargeable batteries and cellphones contain valuable minerals and metals that can be used in the manufacturing of new products.	Best Buy, Batteries Plus Bulbs, Home Depot, Office Depot/OfficeMax.
Light Bulbs	Compact fluorescent bulbs, fluorescent tubes, circular fluorescents, U-bend fluorescents, ballasts, etc.	Batteries Plus Bulbs, Home Depot (collects CFLs only). Visit www.lamprecycle.org for a complete list of participating businesses.
Electronics	DVD players, VCRs, speakers, computers, monitors, printers (ink cartridges may also be accepted), cables and connectors, iPods, MP3 players, boom boxes, alarm clocks, GPS, etc. Visit the County's website for upcoming electronics & appliance recycling events: www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling . Fees may apply.	Eligible working electronics can be donated at local non-profit organizations. Fees may apply. Non-working or old electronics are recyclable at local retailers such as Best Buy, Goodwill, Jensen Environmental in Muskego, Legacy Recycling in Sturtevant, Recycle Technologies of Waukesha, and Waukesha Recycling Company. Restrictions and fees may apply.
Tube (or CRT) Televisions	Some curbside trash and recycling haulers pick up TVs but there are size restrictions and fees. Call your hauler to schedule a pick-up. Visit the County's website for upcoming electronics & appliance recycling events: www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling . Fees apply.	Best Buy will accept TVs smaller than 32 inches (no consoles), Jensen Environmental in Muskego, Waukesha Recycling Company and Recycle Technologies in Waukesha. Fees apply.
Shredded Paper	Junk mail applications can be torn in half and recycled. Mail with a basic name and address is not considered sensitive, so shred only what's necessary.	If it is necessary to shred documents, Kard Recycling and Office Depot accept documents/paper for shredding. Also, look for shredding events at local banking institutions. Fees may apply.
Appliances	Appliances, such as washers, dryers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, ovens, stoves, microwave ovens dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, furnaces, boilers, and water heaters. Visit the County's website for upcoming electronics & appliance recycling events: www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling .	Working appliances can be donated and even picked up by non-profits such as the Waukesha Habitat ReStore or Purple Heart. Non-working appliances are recyclable at Refrigerant Depot in Milwaukee and some local appliance and electronics retailers such as Best Buy. Fees may apply.
Textiles/Clothing	Gently used clothing. Worn or unusable clothing will be recycled into industrial wiping cloths and other products.	Goodwill, Milwaukee Textile Recycling, Better Earth Recycling.
Sharps	Syringes, needles, and lancets. It is illegal for syringes, needles, and lancets to be disposed of with household garbage or recyclables.	Please check with your pharmacy for sharps disposal policy. Fees may apply. Visit www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/healthwaste/householdsharps.html for a complete list of registered sharps collection stations.
Medications	Prescription pills, patches, ointments, liquids, over-the-counter meds, cough medicines, vitamins, and pet medication. It is illegal to flush or put meds down the drain!	Contact your local pharmacy or police department. For a list of drop box locations and a complete list of items accepted visit: www.drugfreecommunitieswaukesha.com .