

Recycling and Proper Disposal of Common Household Items

Electronics:

While electronic waste (or “e-waste”) can be disposed of in a normal landfill, this method of disposal is less than ideal. E-waste takes up valuable landfill space and contains hazardous materials and heavy metals such as mercury, cadmium and lead that could potentially enter the environment. A large portion of these metals and other parts of computers, monitors, and televisions can be recovered, reused, and/or recycled. Additionally, unwanted electronic equipment in good condition can be repaired and donated to schools or charity organizations.



- **Crutchfield** in Charlottesville accepts almost anything with a power chord for **recycling**, including computer-related equipment, TVs, DVD players, etc. On average the prices to recycle these items is between \$5-\$10)
- Crutchfield is located in the Rio Hill Shopping Center in Charlottesville (Address: 1784 Rio Hill center Charlottesville, VA 22901; Ph. # is 434-817-1100).
- Also, you can visit DEQ’s website to determine the best e-waste disposal option to fit your needs: <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/ecycling/homepage.html>

Household Chemicals:

Unwanted household chemicals should never be poured down a storm drain, sanitary sewer, or thrown away. The Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (RSWA) operates a household waste collection site at their Ivy Transfer Station. Visit <http://avenue.org/rswa> for more information. Charlottesville and Albemarle residents can bring the following items to the Ivy location Monday through Saturday between 7:30am and 4:00pm:

- Antifreeze
- Motor oil
- Household batteries
- Oil based and latex paints

In the Spring and Fall of each year, RSWA holds a large-scale household hazardous waste collection day. On this day, RSWA also collects:

- Acids
- Kerosene
- Adhesives
- Paint-related products and solvent
- Gasoline
- Household cleaners
- Floor and furniture polish



The next scheduled household hazardous waste collection day is **Saturday April 28th 2007 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM.**

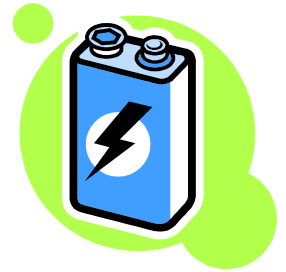
Batteries:

All rechargeable batteries can be recycled. These batteries include those found in watches, cell phones, cameras, camcorders, cordless power tools, laptop computers, and remote control toys. General rechargeable batteries (i.e. AAA batteries) can also be recycled.

The following locations have offered rechargeable battery recycling services in the past:

- Rivanna Solid Waste Authority - 4576 Dick Woods Rd Charlottesville VA 22903
- Central Battery Specialists - 946 Grady Ave Charlottesville VA 22903
- ALLTEL - 1104 Emmett Street Charlottesville VA 22903
- ALLTEL - 874 Rio East Ct Charlottesville VA 22901

- Cingular Wireless - 1252 Emmet St Charlottesville VA 22903
- Batteries Plus - 55 Albemarle Sq Charlottesville VA 22901
- RadioShack - Seminole Trl Charlottesville VA 22901
- RadioShack - 1553 Rio Rd E Charlottesville VA 22901
- Sears - 1531 Rio Rd E Charlottesville VA 22901
- Sears Repair Services - 2111 Berkmar Dr Charlottesville VA 22901
- US Cellular - 1962 Rio Hill Ctr Charlottesville VA 22901
- Lowe's - 400 Woodbrook Dr Charlottesville VA 22901
- Office Depot, Inc. - 270 Zan Rd Charlottesville VA 22901
- Target - 312 Connor Dr Charlottesville VA 22901
- Circuit City - 100 Albemarle Sq Charlottesville VA 22901
- Staples - 600 Shoppers World Ct Charlottesville VA 22901
- Staples - 243 Ridge St Charlottesville VA 22902
- Best Buy - 1615 Emmet St N Charlottesville VA 22901



Materials Accepted at McIntire Recycling Center in Charlottesville:

- **Boxboard** – Includes brown paper (e.g. brown paper bags, cereal boxes, pet feed sacks without plastic liner)
- **File Stock** – Includes junk mail, computer paper, shredded paper
- **Newspaper & Magazines** – Includes catalogs, newspaper inserts, “glossy” paper
- **No. 1 & 2 Plastics Only** - (Buy items in metal or glass containers if possible as an alternative)
- **Glass**
- **Corrugated Cardboard** – Shipping boxes only
- **Metal & Aluminum Cans** – Includes Aluminum and steel cans, and empty aerosol cans

Address:

600 McIntire Road
Charlottesville, VA 22902
Ph. # 906-0763

Hours of Operation for McIntire Recycling Center:

Monday through Friday - 7:30 a.m. to 5:20 p.m.
Saturday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:20 p.m.
Sunday - 12:30 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.
No vehicles allowed entry after 5:20 p.m.