



RECYCLING

Q & A



<p>What about light bulbs?</p>	<p>Upon request, Recycling will supply a box to collect <i>intact</i> incandescent and compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs in your area bulbs and will pick up the full box with regular recycling. <i>However, broken CFL bulbs become a potential hazardous waste because they contain mercury.</i> If a fluorescent bulb is broken, it should be swept up immediately and placed in a safe container like a cardboard box or heavy duty plastic bag. Then contact Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) at ext. 3350 or ehs@berea.edu to collect broken bulbs and safely handle the waste.</p>
<p>What types of batteries can be recycled?</p>	<p>The Recycling Center currently <i>only</i> accepts: AA, AAA, C, D, and 9-volt batteries. Battery collection for recycling is located in the CPO, Hutchins Library, and the Ecological Sustainability Education (ESE) office (Bruce 220). <u>Do not</u> include batteries in your office/department recycling bins as they pose a potential leakage hazard.</p> <p>IS&S will replace student laptop batteries if they are still under warranty. If the warranty has expired, IS&S will still accept student laptop batteries for recycling. <i>This program is available only for campus computers, so please do not bring laptop batteries from home.</i> For information about disposing of personal electronic equipment or batteries, www.kentuckyrecycling.com is an excellent local resource.</p>
<p>What about electronic media?</p>	<p>IS&S now collects all forms of electronic media, such as old CD's, DVD's, disks, etc. There is a box for drop-off in the front of the computer center next to the library. IS&S also recycles electronic waste (from <i>campus only</i>) by stripping usable parts from obsolete or inoperable equipment and then recycling the rest through an external vendor for further breaking down and processing. Individuals can also take their personal electronic waste directly to Kentucky Recycling (112 Quality Drive, Richmond, KY 40475, 859-624-9670).</p>
<p>What about inkjet and toner printer cartridges?</p>	<p>Berea College Recycling collects inkjet cartridges in coordination with EnviroSmart. Cardboard dispensers containing postage paid plastic envelopes are now available in the CPO lounge, the first floor of Hutchins Library, and the Sustainability Coordinator office (Bruce 220).</p> <p>While Recycling does not currently accept toner cartridges, they are still easy to recycle. Many of campus printers are Lexmark, which means that Lexmark laser toner cartridges can be sent directly back to them postage paid. Simply place the old toner cartridge in the box that the new one came in, and ship to Lexmark! Further details about the Lexmark toner cartridge recycling program are available at the Lexmark website (www.lexmark.com/lexmark under "Environmental Health & Safety"). The College Bookstore also recycles used toner cartridges that are purchased through them. Dell also has a "use and return" program for their toner cartridges, and most laser toner cartridges purchased from other companies can also be sent directly back to the company by mailing them to the address on the toner cartridge package.</p>
<p>What about cell phones?</p>	<p>The postage paid plastic envelopes (available in the abovementioned cardboard dispensers in the CPO lounge, Hutchins Library, and Sustainability Coordinator office) can also be used to recycle old cell phones. Some police stations also collect old cell phones for homeless or low-income individuals and families for 911 access. Contact your local police department to find out if this service is available in your community.</p>

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