

OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN

If you have sealed lead acid batteries over 11 pounds (car batteries), call your County to determine how to properly recycle them. Also, there are other household items that still contain mercury such as fluorescent bulbs, thermometers, and thermostats. You should again call your County to find out how to properly manage those items.

Below are some links to website with more information about proper household battery management.

www.njhazwaste.com

[www.nema.org/gov/
env_conscious_design/drybat/](http://www.nema.org/gov/env_conscious_design/drybat/)

www.rbrc.org

[www.epa.gov/epawaste/
conservematerials/battery.htm](http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/conservematerials/battery.htm)



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To find retail locations to drop off your rechargeable batteries visit www.rbrc.org.

To find a county/municipal drop off for rechargeable batteries or learn how to properly dispose of your button cell batteries, contact your County listed below:

County	Phone
Atlantic	609-272-6950
Bergen	201-807-8696
Burlington	609-499-5200
Camden	856-858-5241
Cape May	609-465-9026
Cumberland	856-825-3700
Essex	973-857-2350
Gloucester	856-478-6045
Hudson	201-795-4555
Hunterdon	908-788-1110
Mercer	609-278-8086
Middlesex	732-745-4170
Monmouth	732-922-2234
Morris	973-631-5109
Ocean	732-506-5047
Passaic	973-305-5736
Salem	856-935-7900
Somerset	908-231-7681
Sussex	973-579-6998
Union	908-654-9890
Warren	908-453-2174

Homeowners Guide to Proper Household Battery Management



*If it's
Rechargeable,
it's Recyclable.*

Many New Jersey Counties have been collecting household batteries for recycling and proper disposal since the early 1990s. Due to changes in the composition of batteries and new regulations, for most counties, this practice will now change.

IF IT'S RECHARGEABLE, IT'S RECYCLABLE.

Since the New Jersey Dry Cell Battery Management Act was adopted in 1991 and the Federal Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act was adopted in 1996, household battery manufacturers have begun manufacturing alkaline batteries with no added mercury and have reduced the amount of mercury added to other batteries, including button cells. Alkaline batteries now fall below Federal and State hazardous waste standards and can be disposed of in your regular trash.



WHAT TYPES OF BATTERIES SHOULD I RECYCLE?

Recycle all Rechargeable Batteries.

- Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
- Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
- Lithium Ion (Li-ion)
- Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)
- Small Sealed Lead-less than 11 lbs (Pb)

You can find rechargeable batteries in cordless power tools, cellular and cordless phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, two-way radios, camcorders, and remote control toys. Rechargeable batteries sometimes look like regular alkaline batteries, the label on the battery will indicate if it is rechargeable.

PREPARING BATTERIES FOR RECYCLING

For increased safety when transporting rechargeable batteries, the Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) has enacted new regulations which require special preparations before batteries are transported. **Residents must either individually bag each battery or place a piece of tape on the terminal ends.**

WHERE CAN I BRING MY RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES FOR RECYCLING?

To find the retail collection site nearest you, please use the collection site locator at rbrc.org or call the consumer helpline, 1-800-8-BATTERY or 1-877-2-RECYCLE. Rechargeable batteries may be recycled at the following locations: Radio Shack, Best Buy, Staples, Target, Office Max, Lowes, Home Depot, Sears, Wal-Mart and Verizon Wireless.

Most Counties have drop-off sites for rechargeable batteries or accept them at Household Hazardous Waste events. See the back of the brochure for the phone number of your County Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator, or visit the Association of New Jersey Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator's website at www.njhazwaste.com for more information.

WHAT ABOUT BUTTON CELL BATTERIES?



Most button cell batteries still have mercury in them. These batteries can be brought to your County's Household Hazardous Waste events.