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How to Recycle your Electronic Waste Correctly

Beginning July 1, 2013, Senate Bill 12-133, also known as "Electronic Recycling Jobs Act," prohibits the disposal of electronic devices (e-waste) in Colorado landfills.

Electronics that are banned from disposal include:

- Computers and computer monitors
- Televisions
- Printers
- Fax machines
- DVD players and VCRs
- Peripherals such as keyboards and mice
- Radios and stereos
- Video game consoles
- Laptops and notebook computers
- Ultrabooks, netbooks and tablets

Devices not included in the ban:

- Appliances
- Non-hazardous industrial or commercial devices
- Motor vehicle components
- Any type of telephone

Eagle County residents and businesses may recycle their old electronics at the Eagle County Household Hazardous Waste Facility, located at the landfill (815 Ute Creek Rd, Wolcott, CO 81655). Cost to recycle e-waste is \$.20 per pound. For any questions please contact Joe Walls at 970-328-3463.

Visit www.colorado.gov/cdphe/ewaste for more information.

Location and Directions to the Facility

The household hazardous waste facility is located two miles north of Wolcott (Exit #157), off Highway 131, at the Eagle County Landfill . Directions to the facility are as follows:

- Turn right from Highway 131 (just past the two mile marker) onto County Road 49 (Ute Creek Road)

- Follow road about a mile until it forks, then take the left fork
- When you pass the second gate, make a right
- You will see a sign for the household hazardous waste facility

Can't make it to the local facility?

Stay tuned for local Electronic waste recycling events on Earth Day (April 22nd) and America Recycles Day (November 15th). If these do not work for you, you can find certified electronics recyclers at e-stewards.org. The E-Steward certification ensures fair treatment of workers and that your device will get properly recycled.

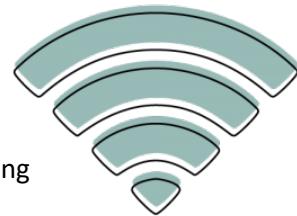
How can you reduce your own E-waste?

Check out these Tips from *Death by Design* to Extend the Longevity of your Device

Whether you are an iOS or an Android user, battery life is one of the biggest issues. Here are some tips on how to make your batteries — and thus, your devices — last longer.

Optimize Your Settings

1. Dim your screen or enable the auto-brightness function.
2. Use Wi-Fi rather than a cellular network when accessing data on your phone or tablet, since Wi-Fi connections consume less power.
3. Turn your Wi-Fi off when you are not using your laptop — it eats up power. It may also help if you quit apps and disconnect peripherals that are not in use. Ejecting an SD card on your laptop can likewise help save your laptop's battery life.



Check Your Battery Usage

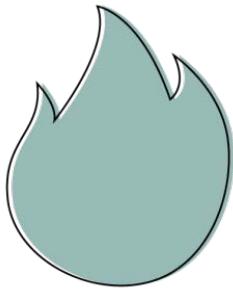
You can analyze your battery usage by going to the settings yourself or installing apps that can do that for you. You can further optimize your battery life by doing the following:

1. Disable the feature allowing apps to run in the background.
2. Uninstall unnecessary apps.

Update Your Device To The Latest Software

Whether you own an iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch, iPod Touch, MacBook Pro or MacBook Air, updating your device to the latest version of OS X, iOS or watchOS is a good idea.





Avoid Exposing Your Device To High Temperatures

Batteries work best in cooler temperatures. Charging your device and storing it at high temperatures can damage the battery capacity. Refrain from exposing your device to temperatures higher than 95 degrees Fahrenheit or 35 degrees Celsius.

Use Airplane Mode

Switch your phone or tablet to Airplane mode when you're in an area with low or no cell coverage. The same can preserve your battery life when you're sleeping or not planning to use your phone for a period of time.



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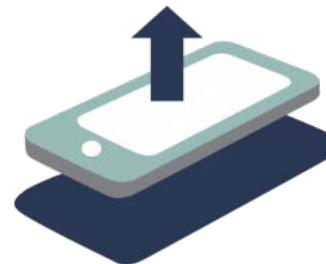


Charge It Around 50 Percent When Storing The Device

If you would like to keep your device for a long time, you must store it half-charged. If you store it fully charged long term, it will shorten the battery's life. On the other hand, if you store it fully uncharged, the battery could go into a deep uncharged state. You should also keep it in a moisture-free and cool place. However, if you intend to reuse the device after storing it for some time, you may need to charge it for 20 minutes with the original adapter.

Remove The Device's Case When Charging

Try to remove the style case of your device when you are charging it, as it may generate excess heat. The heat can have an effect on its battery capacity. When you see that your device is getting hot, you should take it out of its case.



Are you a DIYer? Check out iFixit to learn how to fix your device!

Fixing your device rather than trading it in or tossing it helps to prevent more electronics from being manufactured unnecessarily. Visit <https://www.ifixit.com/Guide> to find a repair guide for your electronics.

Have more questions about E-waste?

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