Battery Recycling

Batteries are essential to our mobile lifestyle. Phones, music players, cameras and more make our lives convenient because of the power supplied by batteries. However, the chemicals that give batteries their "juice" are considered hazardous materials under California's Universal Waste Rule and are banned from the California landfills.

The "juice" for batteries includes lead acid, nickel-cadmium, and nickel-metal-hydride. These are found in common household items like surge protectors, batteries, (AAA, AA, B, C, D), cell phones, and button batteries for cameras. Rechargeable batteries, while less hazardous, contain lithium-ion and are also recyclable.

The main objective for recycling batteries is to prevent hazardous materials from entering landfills. Some residents have curbside services for recycling household batteries. Check with your city to find out if this recycling program is available in your community. Regardless, all residents of Alameda County can recycle their batteries at the Household Hazardous Waste facilities in Oakland, Hayward and Fremont.

Once collected, recyclers sort batteries into like chemistries. The batteries are then broken apart and materials are separated for recycling. To learn more about the recycling process of each of these materials, visit: www.batteryrecycling.com/Battery+Recycling+Process.

DID YOU KNOW?

Davis Street collects over 125,000 batteries each year for recycling.

MATERIAL MATTERS

Today, 97% of automotive lead acid batteries are recycled in the USA. As a result, over 50% of the lead supply comes from recycled batteries.

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San Leandro, CA 94577

Hours of Operation:
MON - FRI: 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
SAT: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
SUN: Closed

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