

NEW GADGETS?

LEARN HOW TO DISPOSE OF THE OLD ONES CORRECTLY

About 200 million US adults will purchase tech as a holiday gift this year, according to the Consumer Technology Association.¹ Let's be responsible about how we dispose of old electronics.



Recognize THE RISKS

Throwing electronics in your trash or recycling bin could cause fires, injure workers or harm the environment. Electronics and rechargeable batteries must be returned to specialized electronics recyclers.

The following can NOT be placed in your trash or recycling container:

- ✗ Cellphones
- ✗ Tablets
- ✗ Laptops
- ✗ Electronic toys
- ✗ Rechargeable batteries
- ✗ Cordless power tools
- ✗ Electric scooters & hoverboards
- ✗ Handheld gaming consoles



Organize WASTE

When you have old items you no longer want to keep, divide them into different categories: **SELL, DISPOSE OF** or **DONATE**.

Electronics that are in good working condition could benefit various organizations. Consider donating your old devices to secondhand stores or local charities.

Dispose OF SAFELY

To find battery and electronics recyclers in your area, visit [Earth911.com](https://www.earth911.com). Or, to explore mail-back recycling options visit [RepublicServices.com/residents/recycling](https://www.RepublicServices.com/residents/recycling).

- 1 Choose a box size that fits your needs.
- 2 Fill the box.
- 3 Call for pickup or ship the box yourself.

WHEN IN DOUBT, LOOK IT UP.

Electronics don't belong in the regular recycling or trash carts. Visit [RepublicServices.com/Residents/Recycling/E-Waste](https://www.RepublicServices.com/Residents/Recycling/E-Waste) for more information.

1. [https://www.cta.tech/Resources/Newsroom/Media-Releases/2022/October/CTA-Previews-the-Hottest-Tech-Gifts-of-2022#:~:text=A%20record%2Dbreaking%2078%25%20\(three%20percentage%20points%20from%202021.](https://www.cta.tech/Resources/Newsroom/Media-Releases/2022/October/CTA-Previews-the-Hottest-Tech-Gifts-of-2022#:~:text=A%20record%2Dbreaking%2078%25%20(three%20percentage%20points%20from%202021.)



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SLEIGH HOLIDAY RECYCLING

As you give and receive gifts this holiday season learn what to recycle and what to trash.



TRASH *it*



RECYCLE *please*



RECYCLE *or* **TRASH**
(DEPENDING)



BOWS

Toss or Reuse



RIBBONS

Toss or Reuse



CELLOPHANE

Toss



BOXES

Recycle or Reuse



TISSUE PAPER

Recycle



GIFT BAGS

Recycle
(if uncoated and unembellished)

Toss or Reuse
(if coated or embellished)



WRAPPING PAPER

Recycle
(if plain and uncoated)

Reuse or Toss
(if glossy or embellished)

For more information, visit
[RecyclingSimplified.com/Holidays](https://www.RecyclingSimplified.com/Holidays)

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7 Ways

TO MAKE GIFTING MORE SUSTAINABLE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

1

Use recycled

PACKING MATERIALS

Source supplies from vendors that focus on recycled materials or use packing materials you already have for shipping.

2

Leave off

EXTRA PACKAGING

Flimsy plastic typically can't be recycled. If it's not necessary, don't shrink-wrap products.

3

Choose

RECYCLABLE SUPPLIES

Give recipients the opportunity to recycle packaging. Foil-backed, sparkly and glittery wrapping paper aren't recyclable.

4

Shop

LOCAL

Buy from local vendors when possible. That cuts down on packaging, transportation costs, resources and pollution.

5

Steer clear

OF POLYSTYRENE

Polystyrene foam, commonly known by the brand Styrofoam, isn't recyclable. Use shredded paper (not packing peanuts) to protect goods.

6

Mindful

GIFTS

Opt for digital gift cards or products with a small footprint.

7

Spread

KNOWLEDGE

Teach clients and customers how they can responsibly recycle packaging. Include a card with easy directions.



Visit [RecyclingSimplified.com](https://www.RecyclingSimplified.com) to learn more.





Nice



- ✓ Clean plastic bottles (keep caps on)
- ✓ Most clean plastic to-go cups & lids
- ✓ Aluminum beverage cans
- ✓ Clean paper containers, like cardboard drink holders, & clean paper bags
- ✓ Clean plastic food containers* (usually #1, 2 & 5 plastics are recyclable)



Naughty

- ✗ Polystyrene foam cups & containers
- ✗ Used napkins or food containers
- ✗ Plastic utensils & straws
- ✗ Paper cups
- ✗ Plastic bags



Check
THIS TRAVEL
RECYCLING LIST
TWICE

RECYCLING ON-THE-GO

ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY SEASON THE SUSTAINABLE WAY!

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*Recyclable materials vary by location and processing.

2024-2025

Holiday Schedule for Residential Routes

NEW YEAR'S DAY – MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024

Monday routes will be picked up on Tuesday, January 2
Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wednesday, January 3
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, January 4
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, January 5
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, January 6

MEMORIAL DAY – MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024

Monday routes will be picked up on Tuesday, May 28
Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wednesday, May 29
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, May 30
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, May 31
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, June 1

INDEPENDENCE DAY – THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024

Monday routes will not be affected
Tuesday routes will not be affected
Wednesday routes will not be affected
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, July 5
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, July 6

LABOR DAY – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

Monday routes will be picked up on Tuesday, September 3
Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wednesday, September 4
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, September 5
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, September 6
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, September 7

THANKSGIVING DAY - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2024

Monday routes will not be affected
Tuesday routes will not be affected
Wednesday routes will not be affected
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, November 29
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, November 30

CHRISTMAS DAY – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024

Monday routes will not be affected
Tuesday routes will not be affected
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, December 26
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, December 27
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, December 28

NEW YEAR'S DAY – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025

Monday routes will not be affected
Tuesday routes will not be affected
Wednesday routes will be picked up on Thursday, January 2
Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, January 3
Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, January 4



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