

# How to Recycle Most Everything

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In addition to the Westford Curbside Recycling program that is provided to Westford residents, the Westford Recycling Commission provides here within a detailed list of "other ways and methods" to "recycle and re-use" items that should be handled and disposed of properly and/or provided for other uses, as an alternative to placing items in the trash.

These items are not included in the Westford Curbside Recycling program and please do not leave these items out for curbside recycling pickup. See the Curbside Recycling page for items that can be left out for the curbside recycling program and follow the recommendations listed below, to keep unnecessary items out of the waste stream and utilize "best-practices or green" methods of disposal.

We appreciate your support; your thoughts, comments, suggestions are welcome!

Please Note: The companies and services listed here are for reference only and are not specifically endorsed by the Westford Recycling Commission.

## Aerosol Cans

Aerosol Cans - As long as the cans are empty of both propellant and contents, it is okay to place them in the trash. An aerosol can is empty when you no longer hear any air released when the nozzle is depressed and the can feels empty when shaken.

## Air Conditioners, Room (non-working)

- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk at 978-692-5515 to arrange monthly curbside pickup. Pick-up is every third Saturday year-round, dependent on holidays. Fee: \$30 per item; stickers available at Town Hall.
- Collected at the Electronics collection; fee. (see [Electronics](#)).

## Air Conditioners, Room (working)

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710, [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-12pm.

## Antifreeze (see Household Hazardous Waste)

## Appliances, Large (non-working)

Also called "White Goods" - washers, dryers, water heaters, refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, microwaves, stoves, dehumidifiers and air conditioners.

- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk at 978-692-5515 to arrange monthly curbside pickup. Pick-up is every third Saturday year-round, dependent on holidays. Fee: \$30 per item; stickers available at Town Hall. Also accepts exercise equipment and swing sets.
- **Max Levine & Co.** - 270 Tanner St., Lowell; 978-454-7786. M-F 7:30am-4:15pm, Saturdays: March, April, May, September, October & November 7:30-11:15am. Primarily metal industrial and building trash; Levine & Co. does not take dehumidifiers, freezers or refrigerators, but they will take other metal white goods and metal construction materials (gutters etc). Please call for fees and you must deliver items to their facility in Lowell. More information here: [maxlevinescrapmetals.com/Max\\_Levine\\_Scrap\\_Metals/Max\\_Levine\\_Scrap\\_Metal\\_Co..html](http://maxlevinescrapmetals.com/Max_Levine_Scrap_Metals/Max_Levine_Scrap_Metal_Co..html)
- **Black and Blue Demo and Salvage, Inc.** - 1B Innes Drive- Unit D, Billerica; 978-804-7240. Drop-off everyday; call office M-F 9am-1pm for pick-up appointment. Accepts items of any size with metal parts. Call for fees; senior discounts.

## Appliances, Large (working, for reuse)

Also called "White Goods" - washers, dryers, water heaters, refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, stoves, room air conditioners.

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710. Accepts gently used household goods; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Accepts: Electric dryers, washers and refrigerators 10 years old or newer. Limited pick-up available - \$35 donation.
- **Project Home Again** - Accepts working appliances and household goods; [www.phama.org](http://www.phama.org). e-mail for pickups [info@phama.org](mailto:info@phama.org). Drop-off items to warehouse at Heritage Place/Bldg. #2, 439 So. Union St., Lawrence (Tues. 11am-1pm, Wed. 10am-noon). Please send an email before dropping off items.
- **Salvation Army** - 1-800-728-7825 various; locations including Wilmington and Haverhill. For other locations, call 1-800-728-7825 for pickup or visit [satruck.org](http://satruck.org). Appliances must be no older than seven years, in working

condition, and located near a power source so they can be tested before pick up.

- **National Grid** - 1-877-545-4113 to sign up for a free pick-up; visit [www.MassSave.com/recycle](http://www.MassSave.com/recycle) for more information and program requirements. The Appliance Recycling Program offers National Grid Electric customers \$50, free pick up, and removal of second fridges and freezers (only) from basements or garages.
- **Habitat for Humanity ReStores** – HFH of Tyngsboro, 440 Middlesex Rd, Tyngsboro; [www.myrestorema.org](http://www.myrestorema.org). Call for pickup 978-215-9975.

## **Appliances, Small (working, for Reuse)**

Includes: blenders, coffee makers, electric pans, fans, food processors, space heaters, irons, countertop microwaves, mixers, slow cookers, toasters, toaster ovens, sewing machines, vacuum cleaners.

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710. Accepts gently used household small appliances; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon.
- **Wish Project** - 1A Foundry St., Lowell; 978-441-9474; [thewishproject.org](http://thewishproject.org). Dropoff items Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm; no pick-ups. Accepts working appliances and household goods in good condition; call ahead to confirm needs.

## **Appliances, Small (non-working)**

Includes: blenders, coffee makers, electric pans, fans, food processors, space heaters, irons, countertop microwaves, mixers, slow cookers, toasters, toaster ovens, sewing machines, vacuum cleaners.

- Save for Electronics Collection event (see [Electronics](#))

## **Asphalt Shingles**

- **Devens Recycling Center** – 45 Independence Dr., Devens, MA 01434; 978-772-6500; <http://devensrecycling.com>. Mon.-Fri. 7am-5pm, Sat. 7am-1pm. Fee.
- **Roof Top Recycling** – 369 Codmon Hill Rd., Boxboro, MA 01719; 978-263-1899. Fee.

## Automobiles

Free pickup and it is tax deductible!

- **Big Brother/Big Sister Foundation** - 1-800-483-5503; [www.bbbsmb.org](http://www.bbbsmb.org).
- Educational radio stations **WBUR** and **WGBH** accept these donations to help keep their stations funded.
- **National Kidney Foundation Car Campaign** - 1-800-488-2277; [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org).
- **Salvation Army**: 1-800-728-7825; [satruck.org](http://satruck.org).
- **Special Olympics of Mass** - 1-800-590-1600; [www.specialolympicsmass.org](http://www.specialolympicsmass.org).
- **Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell** – Local contact: Kim Trainor; 978-692-0927; [info@lowellhabitat.org](mailto:info@lowellhabitat.org). HHGL also coordinates “Cars for Homes” program; call to confirm acceptable conditions; [www.lowellhabitat.org](http://www.lowellhabitat.org).

## Baby Goods (for re-use)

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St. (Rt. 27), Acton; 978-635-1710; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Check website for baby items accepted. No toys or stuffed animals.
- **Wish Project** - 1A Foundry Street, Lowell; 978-441-WISH (9474); [thewishproject.org](http://thewishproject.org). Drop-off Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm; no pick-ups. No toys or stuffed animals.
- **Project Home Again** – [www.phama.org/](http://www.phama.org/). Also accepts working appliances and household goods. E-mail for pickups [info@phama.org](mailto:info@phama.org). Drop-off items to warehouse at Heritage Place/Bldg. #2, 439 So. Union St., Lawrence (Tues. 11am-1pm, Wed. 10am-noon). Please send an email before dropping off items.

## Bathroom Fixtures (also see [Building Materials & House Fixtures](#))

- **Atlas Recycling** (sinks, toilets and bathtubs) - Call Town Clerk at 978-692-5515 to arrange monthly curbside pickup. Pick-up is every third Saturday year-round, dependent on holidays. Fee: \$30 per item; stickers available at Town Hall.

## Batteries

- Alkaline: Alkaline batteries can be thrown in the regular household trash.
- Automobile: Take to **Autozone** - 63 Drum Hill Road, Chelmsford; 978-453-2300; 177 Church St., Lowell; 978-452-2999. \$5.00 store credit is given for returned auto batteries. Batteries may also be brought to a **Sears Automotive**

facility; locate a store at [www.sears.com](http://www.sears.com).

- **Button Type:** Collected at **Mackay Hardware**, 978-692-3346; **Ace Hardware**, 978-692-0774; **Westford Board of Health**, 978-692-5509; **Best Buy**.
- **Laptop Computer Batteries:** **Best Buy, Staples**.
- **Lead-Acid, sealed:** - Used by Verizon FIOS box as a backup battery and other uses: **Staples** (must weigh less than 11 lbs). Or, save for Household Hazardous Waste Collection.
- **Lithium:** Save for Household Hazardous Waste collection.
- **Rechargeables:** NICAD (Nickel-Cadmium), NiMH (Nickel-Metal Hydride), laptops, cell phones, etc.: Take to any **Staples, Best Buy, Home Depot, Lowes, Ace Hardware**, 978-692-0774.
- **APC UPS batteries** (American Power Conversion) uninterruptible power supply batteries. The following information comes from the APC USA website under Sustainability/Recycling Options: "If it has been 3 years, your old UPS may need a recharge. Trade in and/or replace those old UPS batteries with genuine APC replacement Battery Cartridges (RBCs) and get free return shipping, not to mention an eco-friendly disposal." Additional information: 1-800-800-4APC.
- **Staples** and **Best Buy** accept UPS batteries for recycling. Staples have an 11 lb per battery weight limit.

## Bicycles (for re-use)

- **Bikes Not Bombs** - [www.bikesnotbombs.org](http://www.bikesnotbombs.org). Donate your used bicycles to this organization; more details regarding donation events are on their website (suggested \$10 donation per bike.) Bikes Not Bombs uses the bicycle as a vehicle for social change and reclaims thousands of bicycles each year.
- Give your bicycle to someone in the local area: Post for free on [Craigslist](http://Craigslist) or post at [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org).
- **Chelmsford Boy Scout Troop 74** - Collects bicycles and other household items for their Giant Yard Sale held every May. Call Yard Sale Hot Line at 978-935-9474 to confirm specific needs.
- **Pedals for Progress** - They work with community organizations to do a yearly collection of bicycles. For more information, go to [www.p4p.org](http://www.p4p.org) regarding donation events.

## Books / DVDs / Books on Tape / CDs / LPs (Vinyl Records) / Video and Audio Cassettes

- The [Friends of the J.V. Fletcher Library](http://Friends of the J.V. Fletcher Library). Donate your books, LP records, cassette tapes, CDs, VCR tapes & DVDs in good condition for resale to benefit the Fletcher Library & its many programs. A listing of what the Friends accepts and

does not accept can be found at [www.westfordlibrary.org](http://www.westfordlibrary.org).

- **Best Buy** - [www.bestbuy.com/recycling](http://www.bestbuy.com/recycling) accepts damaged CDs and DVDs. Note: There are collection bins at the entrance of the Nashua store.
- **Discover Books** - All Hardcover and Paperback Books, DVDs, Books on Tape, Video and Audio Cassettes that are not acceptable donations to the Friends of the J.V. Fletcher Library, recycle with for-profit Discover Books - [www.discoverbooks.com](http://www.discoverbooks.com). Drop-off items in self-serve collection container located in the Water Dept. parking lot at 63 Forge Village Road and at the Eastern Bank on Rt. 110. Note: There is a second container at the office entrance of the Norman E. Day School, 75 East Prescott Street.

#### **Discover Books Container rules:**

- Please place books and other items at the back of the container.
- All books should be in boxes; no plastic bags.
- No magazines accepted. Please put in your curbside recycling bin.
- Encyclopedias must be in complete sets and be together. If a set takes up more than one box, please tape boxes together.
- All items can be of any subject.
- No notebooks.
- Paperback books not suitable for donation: Include these in your recycling bin in same bag(s) that contains mixed paper.
- **More Than Words Bookstore & Cafe** - 376 Moody Street, Waltham, 02453; 781-788-0035; [www.mtwyouth.org](http://www.mtwyouth.org). Bookstore is run by youth in the foster care system, court-involved, homeless, or out-of-school. All books are donated. Donation container located (behind building) at Household Goods, 530 Main St. Acton.

## **Bridal Gowns**

- **Brides Across America** – Gifts gowns to military brides in need at [bridesacrossamerica.com](http://bridesacrossamerica.com).

## **Brush & Branches**

- **Town Brush Collection and Chipping - Next event: see website for details Westford Highway Garage; proof of Westford residency required.**
  - **Accepted:** Brush and branches up to 3 inches in diameter and 10 feet in length. Must be average residential brush categories and reasonable amounts: A load ranges from a trunk to pickup truck volume, includes tow behind a full trailer.
  - **Not accepted:** Building materials (e.g. fences, boards), land clearing materials and debris (e.g., roots, bushes, anything mixed with poison ivy), grass, and leaves.
  - **Location:** Highway Department Garage, 28 North Street; 978-692-5520. Cost: \$10 per load, *checks preferred* made payable to the Town of Westford.

- **Brush Burning:** Brush may be burned (brush only, no leaves) January through May each year. You must obtain a [permit](#) at the Westford Fire Department.
- **Community Tree Service** - 163 Billerica Road, Chelmsford; 978-256-0341. Dump site is open M-F (year round) 7:30am-4pm, Sat. (April to June only) 8am-2pm. The following are accepted, but cannot be mixed: 1.) brush - up to 1.5" in diameter (no dirt, no stones), 2.) Logs and stumps, 3.) clean wood waste - pallets, fencing, scrap lumber - but nothing painted, stained, or pre-treated. Fee per yard; dumpster pick-up arranged. Please call Community with any questions.
- **BMC Corporation** - 1079 South St., Tewksbury (composting site); 781-273-0398 or 978-667-2171; [www.tsoil.com](http://www.tsoil.com) (M-F 7am-4pm, Sat. 7am-noon, weather permitting). Check the list at the bottom of their home page for towns included. Cost for load of brush and branches is \$12.50/yard (2 yard minimum). Note: The average size pick-up truck bed holds 2 yards.

## Building Materials and House Fixtures

Are you remodeling/demolishing a home? Below is a list of organizations (some non-profit) and businesses that might be interested in reusing pieces from your old home.

- **A1 New & Used Plumbing and Heating** - 30 Prospect Street, Somerville 02143; 617-625-6140; [www.antiqueplumbingandradiators.com](http://www.antiqueplumbingandradiators.com).
- **Habitat for Humanity ReStores** – HFH of Tyngsboro, 440 Middlesex Rd, Tyngsboro; [www.myrestorema.org/](http://www.myrestorema.org/). Call for pickup: 978-215-9975. Donations: Wed.-Sat. 10am-3pm; Store hours: W-F 9am-5pm, Sat. 9am-3pm. Donate or shop for new to gently used surplus or salvaged building materials and home goods - appliances, furniture, hardware, and windows. Proceeds help build affordable housing in the Greater Lowell area as well as supplies goods at affordable prices for people of all income levels. Donated items are tax-deductible.
- **Building Materials Resource Center** - 100 Terrace St., Boston-02120; 617-442-8917; [www.bostonbmrc.org](http://www.bostonbmrc.org) and click DONATE for a list of materials accepted. BMRC accepts donations of reusable building material and house fixtures, providing a pick-up service with two weeks notice. Types of items collected include kitchen cabinets, countertops, bathroom vanities, sinks, faucets, tubs and enclosures, windows (no lead paint). Donated windows must be thermal pane. BMRC distributes goods to needy homeowners and nonprofit organizations. Contributing items to the BMRC eliminates the environmental impact of disposal and saves the town on incinerator fees. Request that contractors consider BMRC when disposing of excess building materials. Donated items are tax-deductible.
- **Green Bag Pickup** – (Construction waste and unwanted junk) Call Julie Flynn (direct line: 978-429-8650 or 855-224-7425); 930 Main Street, Acton; 855-224-7425; [greenbagpickup.com](http://greenbagpickup.com) Residents may purchase and use any brand of dumpster bag (Bagster, Load-a-bag, etc.). If their bag "3Usable" brand is used,

Green Bag will empty contents into their collection vehicle and leave the bag for reuse. Material is transported to local facility for recycling and waste management.

- **Longleaf Lumber** – Purchases antique lumber. Showroom in Cambridge and a mill in Berwick, Maine; 115 Fawcett Street, Cambridge, MA 02138; 617-871-6611 or 1-866-OLD-FLOOR (1-866-653-3566), [www.longleaflumber.com](http://www.longleaflumber.com). E-mail: [info@longleaflumber.com](mailto:info@longleaflumber.com).
- **New England Demolition & Salvage** - 73 Cove St., New Bedford, MA 02744; 508-992-1099; [www.nedsalvage.com](http://www.nedsalvage.com).
- **Nor'east Architectural Antiques** - 16 Exeter Road (Route 150), South Hampton, NH; 603-394-0006; [www.noreast1.com](http://www.noreast1.com). E-mail: [mail@noreast1.com](mailto:mail@noreast1.com).
- **Olde Bostonian** - 66 Von Hillern Street, Boston, MA 02125; 617-282-9300; [www.oldbostonian.com](http://www.oldbostonian.com).
- **Radical Radiator Restorations** (Steam and hot waste radiators) – 940 Eastern Ave., Malden, MA; 617-733-7163; Web site: [www.radicalradiator.com](http://www.radicalradiator.com).
- **Restoration Resources** - 1946 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118; 617-542-3033; [www.restorationresources.com/](http://www.restorationresources.com/).

## Carbon Monoxide Detectors (see [Electronics](#))

## Cardboard Moving Boxes

- Cardboard boxes (small quantities) can be broken down and placed alongside totes or bin on your recycling pick-up day.
- **Benezra Boxes:** (moving boxes) - This organization will pick up moving boxes at your home at no charge (minimum of 30). Boxes are resold so only those in excellent condition are accepted; [www.benezraboxes.com](http://www.benezraboxes.com).
- **Integrated Paper Recyclers, LLC** - Dumpsters are available for large amounts of cardboard (only). For arrangements and fee information, call: 781-933-3013 (M-F, 8am - 3pm).

## Carpeting

- **Conigliaro Industries** – 701 Waverly Rd., Framingham, MA 01702; 508-872-9668; <http://www.conigliaro.com>. Call for drop-off hours. Fee.
- **Devens Recycling Center** - 45 Independence Dr., Devens, MA 01434; 978-772-6500; <http://devensrecycling.com>. (Mon.-Fri. 7am-5pm, Sat. 7am-1pm). Fee.

## Cell Phones

- **Staples** ([staples.com](http://staples.com)) and **Best Buy** ([bestbuy.com](http://bestbuy.com)) – Dropoff at any store.
- Donate your phone and give the proceeds to the charity of your choice. Refer to [www.charitablerecycling.com](http://www.charitablerecycling.com) for details.
- Collected at the Electronics Collection days. Free (see [Electronics](#)).

## Christmas Trees and Christmas Lights

- **The Westford Fire Fighters Association** - 978-392-0028. WFFA collects Christmas trees annually on designated dates in January. Price: \$10 per tree via check payable to Westford Fire Fighters Association. Place check in a clear plastic bag and attach to tree; have trees curbside by 7am on date of pick-up. Call WFFA at (978) 392-0028 to place your information on the pick-up list.
- **Westford Metals** – 69 Broadway Street, Westford; 978-392-3251; M-F: 7am-3pm. Christmas tree lights (green or white wire mini lights).

## Clothing

Shoes - (also see [Shoes and Sneakers](#)).

- **Cameron Senior Center** - 28 Pleasant Street, Westford; 978-692-5523. The Center hosts a clothing thrift shop Mon. –Thurs., 9am-3pm. Used clothing in excellent condition may be dropped off during these hours; please no shoes, underwear, or swimwear. The shop also accepts household knick-knacks and small appliances.
- **New England Clothes Recycling** - Place clothing and shoes in plastic bags. Drop-off in collection bins located at Abbot and Blanchard Schools, Rt. 110 Gulf, Concord Rd. at the Rt. 495 overpass.
- **Planet Aid** - Collection bins are located at Rite-Aid Pharmacy at corner of Littleton and Carlisle Roads (Minots Corner) and Tedeschi's on Main Street.
- **Angels Above** - 99 Mammoth Road, Lowell; 978-452-4833 (M-F 10am-6:30pm, Sat. 10am-5pm; closed Sundays). No snow boots or snowshoes.
- **Children's Orchard** – Accepts gently used children's clothing. Billerica Commons, 446 Boston St., Billerica; 978-671-0008; [www.childrensorcharchard.com](http://www.childrensorcharchard.com) (M-Sat. 9:30am-6pm, Sun. 11am-4pm).
- **Chelmsford ZOOTS** - 122 Chelmsford St., Chelmsford; 978-250-2362; [www.zoots.com](http://www.zoots.com) (M-F 7:30am-7pm, Sat. 9am-5pm; closed Sundays). Collections are donated to Goodwill.
- **St. Vincent De Paul** - 701 Merrimack St., Lowell; 978-453-7750; [www.svdpboston.com](http://www.svdpboston.com) (Mon-Sat: 9am-5pm; closed Sundays).

- **Good Shepherd Thrift Shop-Lazarus House Ministries** - 412 Hampshire St. (and other locations), Lawrence; 978-269-5285; [www.lazarushouse.org](http://www.lazarushouse.org) (click on Donate Clothes) (M-Sat. 9am-3pm).
- **My Father's House** - 83 Middlesex St., North Chelmsford; 978-251-8191; [www.mfhouse.net/](http://www.mfhouse.net/) (M-F 9am-5pm).
- **St. Anne's Episcopal Church Thrift Shop** - Treble Cove Road, North Billerica 01862; 978-670-2560. Call for current drop-off hours; [stannes-billerica.org/ThriftShop.html](http://stannes-billerica.org/ThriftShop.html).

## Coat and Clothes Hangers

- Anton's Cleaners in Westford will recycle their hangers (all metal thin white hangers or pants hangers with the cardboard rods). They also recycle the clear protective plastic that goes over garments.
- Westford Cleaners on Carlisle Road will be happy to recycle most any kind of clothes hanger.

## Computers, Monitors, and Laptop Computers (working, for reuse), (also see [Electronics](#))

**Re-use Opportunities** - The following sites list organizations that will accept reasonably new computers and color monitors; they upgrade and redistribute equipment:

- [Cristina Foundation](#).
- Goodwill: Collection trailer at 299 Chelmsford St., Chelmsford (Behind Stop and Shop).
- **Manufacturer Takeback Programs** - Electronics and computer manufacturers and retailers are creating electronics recycling opportunities for customers:
  - [Apple](#)
  - [Dell](#)
  - [Hewlett-Packard](#)

## Construction Debris & Yard Refuse (also see - [Asphalt Shingles](#))

Scrap wood that fits inside a trash barrel and does not exceed Town of Westford weight/quantity limits will be taken on the regular trash schedule. Scrap wood that does not fit inside a trash barrel must be cut, bundled, and requires a bulk item sticker for ACME (Westford' trash hauler) to remove on regular trash days.

- **Agretech** (Division of Deloury Industries Recycling) - 50 Jackson Street off Rt. 110, Dracut; 978-475-8153; [www.deloury.com](http://www.deloury.com) (M-F 7am-4:30pm). Asphalt, brick, and concrete only; fee based on load size; must deliver (also an Andover site).
- **Graniteville Materials** - 49 North Main Street, Westford; 978-692-3532 (M-F 7am-4pm, Sat. 8am-noon). Brick, concrete and reinforced concrete, solid fill, and steel; fee based on load size; must deliver.
- **Green Bag Pickup** - Denille Ruth; 930 Main Street, Acton; 855-224-7425. [www.greenbagpickup.com](http://www.greenbagpickup.com) will pick up any dumpster bag, regardless of size, manufacturer, or where it was purchased. Acceptable items include but are not limited to: household junk from moving, flood or fire-damaged items, cleanouts of basements/attics/closets/sheds/barns, renovation and construction debris - cabinets, drywall, roofing materials, siding, flooring, tub, toilets, furniture, even the kitchen sink! Company re-purposes bulk bags, works with local haulers to cut fuel consumption, and disposes of debris at recycling centers.
- **TBI-North Andover Facility Facility** - 200 Holt Road North Andover 01845; 978-686-8604; [www.thomsonbrothersindustries.com](http://www.thomsonbrothersindustries.com). Hours: Mon-Fri: 5am-5pm, Sat: 7:00am-12pm; closed Sundays. General heavy-duty recyclable materials, construction items, etc.
- **V-MAC Junk Removal Company** - 6 Rock St., Lowell; 978-453-4333; [www.VMACRemoval.com](http://www.VMACRemoval.com). Construction materials, household items office equipment, yard debris.
- **1-800-Got Junk** - 1-800-468-5865; [www.1800gotjunk.com](http://www.1800gotjunk.com). Also accepts electronics.

## Dehumidifiers (non-working)

- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk to arrange pick-up (692-5515); fee.
- Collected at the Electronics Collection days. Free (see [Electronics](#)).

## Electronics (working or non-working)

**Westford Electronics Recycling Event:** see [WRC website](#) for details, Westford Highway Garage, 28th North St.

Items accepted include computers, printers, copiers, fax machines, air conditioners, postage meters, telephones, televisions, VCRs, radios, stereo equipment, electronic test equipment, surveillance equipment, video equipment and cameras, and small household appliances (such as toasters and vacuums), smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, lawnmowers and snowblowers (remove gas and oil). Many items are FREE, some items are FEE-based; cash only.

**\*\* Event Details:** see the [Electronics-Collection-Pricelist](#) for prices and event details (which may change without notice).

If the electronics recycling event(s) are not listed here, please call Westford Town Hall for annual collection dates; 978-692-5515, or check [Westford Curbside Recycling Guide](#).

### **Other places to recycle working and non-working electronics:**

- **Northeast Materials Handling of Lowell, MA** - Free electronics recycling and many other items [www.liquidatedstuff.com](http://www.liquidatedstuff.com); 978-459-9595.
- **The National Cristina Foundation** and **eBay** have partnered to provide computer technology to organizations and schools that assist people with disabilities, students at risk, and economically disadvantaged persons. Program combines training with resources, allowing clients to lead more productive lives. [www.cristina.org](http://www.cristina.org) - (203) 863-9100.
- **1-800-Got Junk** - 1-800-468-5865; [www.1800gotjunk.com](http://www.1800gotjunk.com). Also accepts construction and yard debris. Fee.
- **Staples, Inc.** - [www.staples.com](http://www.staples.com).
- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk to arrange pick-up; 978-692-5515; fee.
- **Gazelle** - [www.Gazelle.com](http://www.Gazelle.com). Buys electronics. Great organization fundraiser idea.
- **Best Buy Stores** - [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Best Buy accepts most electronics (cell phones, small electronics, vacuums included). Data protection for computer hard drives (desktop & laptop): Consult with a Geek Squad® Agent about services offered to remove the PC's hard drive.

### **Eyeglasses**

Old eyeglasses are collected for reuse by needy individuals. Eyeglasses are cleaned, repaired, and measured to determine prescription. Available glasses are cataloged in a computer database, and matched to people with need. Many of the glasses are sent to other countries, as US laws make it difficult to re-dispense a prescription product.

- **The Lions Club** - Operates the largest program, collecting glasses from thousands of opticians and multiple drop-off locations; <http://www.lionsclubs.org>

Local drop-off sites include:

- **Family Eye Care Center and Optical Gallery** - 5 Cornerstone Square, Westford.

- **Nabs One Stop Shop** - 60 Brookside Road, Westford.
- **LensCrafters** - Burlington and Pheasant Lane Malls.
- **Lexington Eye Associates** - Emerson Hospital Medical Bldg., 133 Littleton Rd.- Suite. 204, Westford; 978-589-9919.

## Flag Disposal

- **American Legion** - Post 87 (684 Westford St., Lowell 01851); Post 437 (114 Dunstable Road, Westford; 978-692-7400); [contact@legionpost437.com](mailto:contact@legionpost437.com).
- **Flagkeepers** - 1108 Lee Ave, Kannapolis, N.C., 28081; [www.flagkeepers.org](http://www.flagkeepers.org). If unable to find a disposal location, mail to Flagkeepers. They ensure tattered, ragged, and faded flags are properly disposed of at a patriotic flag retirement ceremony.
- **VFW** - North Andover Post 2104 (32 Park St, North Andover 01845; 978-687-9614); VFW Lowell (90 Plain St., Lowell 01852; 978- 453-6231).

## Fire Extinguishers

Good quality fire extinguishers (mostly made of metal) can be recharged. Companies providing this service can be found under "Fire Extinguishers" category in the phone book Yellow Pages.

Low cost extinguishers made of plastic or aluminum typically cannot be recharged. Class A (contains mono-ammonium phosphate) and class B (contains sodium bicarbonate) can be safely discharged outdoors. Discharge away from people, pets, and grass; aim low; sweep from side to side. Goggles and dust masks are recommended. Once the plastic or aluminum extinguisher has been discharged, discard in the trash or, save for Electronics Collection (see **Electronics**).

## Fluorescent and Compact Fluorescent (CF) Bulbs

Fluorescent bulbs contain mercury and should not be disposed of with the regular trash. Residents may recycle straight (contact store for length restrictions), U-shaped, round, and compact fluorescent bulbs at the following locations:

- **Ace Hardware** - 527 Groton Rd (Route 40); 978-692-0774.
- **Lowes** - 50 Lowes Way, Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 677-5679; <http://www.lowes.com>
- **Home Depot** ("Returns" desk) -. Accepts expired (but not broken) compact fluorescent bulbs; <http://www6.homedepot.com>

## Furniture (useable – no rips or stains)

- **The Salvation Army** - 800-958-7825 to arrange pick-up date (requires four-week notice). Drop-off at local thrift stores:
  - 625 Main Street, Wilmington; 978-988-9488.
  - 132 Merrimac St., Haverhill; 978-374-7355.
  - 74-76 Cluff Road, Salem, NH; 603-898-8571.
- **Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell** – Local contact: Kim Trainor; 978-692-0927; E-Mail: [info@lowellhabitat.org](mailto:info@lowellhabitat.org). HHGL also coordinates “Cars for Homes” program; call to confirm acceptable conditions.
- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Check website for list of items accepted. Limited pick-up available - \$35 donation.
- **Goodwill Industries of New Hampshire** – 9 Wanson Rd, Hudson, NH; 603-718-6111; <http://www.goodwill.org>. Call for hours and what’s accepted.
- **Wish Project** - 1A Foundry Street, Lowell; 978-441-WISH (9474); [thewishproject.org](http://thewishproject.org). Drop-off Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm; no pick-ups. Visit website or call to confirm what’s accepted.
- **Project Home Again** – [www.phama.org/](http://www.phama.org/). Also accepts working appliances and household goods. e-mail for pickups [info@phama.org](mailto:info@phama.org). Drop-off items to warehouse at Heritage Place/Bldg. #2, 439 So. Union St., Lawrence (Tues. 11am-1pm, Wed. 10am-noon). Please send an email before dropping off items.
- **Mass Coalition for the Homeless** – Call 781-595-7570, ext. 13 for pickup information; [www.masshomeless.org](http://www.masshomeless.org).
- **St. Vincent De Paul** - 701 Merrimack St., Lowell; 978-453-7750; [www.svdpboston.com](http://www.svdpboston.com) (Mon-Sat: 9am-5pm; closed Sundays). For pick-up call 1-800-675-2882, 8:30am – 3:30pm (Mon. – Fri.).

## Furniture (non-useable)

Purchase a Bulk Item Sticker (\$5 per item) at the following locations:

- **Town Clerk** - Westford Town Hall.
- **Tedeschi** - 103 Main Street or 64 Brookside Road.
- **Market Basket** - 106 Littleton Road.
- **Nab's One Stop Shop** - 60 Brookside Road.
- **Ace Hardware** - 527 Groton Road.
- **Town Convenience** - 221 Groton Road.

Place the item curbside on your trash collection day.

## Gas Grills

- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk to arrange pick-up (978-692-5515); fee.
- **Westford Metals** - 69 Broadway Street; 978-392-3251; M-F: 7am-3pm.

## Hearing Aids (useable)

- **Massachusetts Lions District 33-S Hearing Foundation** - Morton Hospital Speech, Hearing, and Language Center - 2007 Bay St., Suite B100, Taunton 02780; 508-823-3050; email: gretch1398@hotmail.com.
- **Help The Children Hear** - Mail hearing aids to: Help the Children Hear, P.O. Box 171, Blirstown, NJ 07825; [www.helpthechildrenhear.org](http://www.helpthechildrenhear.org).

## Household Items (useable and non-useable)

Includes: Kitchen items- Pots and pans, baking pans, cookware, cooking utensils, knives, dishes, glasses and mugs, flatware. Linens - Mattress Pads, blankets, comforters, bed pillows (new or like new), towels, curtains and curtain rods. Miscellaneous: Framed art, mirrors, photo frames and home décor items.

- **New England Clothes Recycling** - (Only accepts: clothing, shoes, purses, small toys and small household items). Collection bins are located at Abbot and Blanchard Schools, Rt. 110 Exxon, on Concord Rd. at the Route 495 overpass. Place in plastic bags; do not leave items outside bins. Does not accept: Mattresses, TV's or large toys.
- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off useable items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Check website for list of useable items accepted. Limited pick-up available - \$35 donation.
- **V-MAC Removal Company** - Recycle non-useable items at 16 Rock Street-Unit 1, Lowell; 978-453-4333; [www.vmacremoval.com](http://www.vmacremoval.com). Call for volume rates.
- **Animal Control Department** - Recycle useable items at the Old Highway Garage, 30 Beacon Street; 978-692-4574; [www.westfordma.gov](http://www.westfordma.gov). Needs clean and useable pillowcases, towels, animal crates and carriers, stainless steel dog/cat bowls to assist with the care and safe transportation of animals. Call to make a drop-off appointment, M-F, 8am-4pm.

- **Goodwill Industries of New Hampshire** – 9 Wanson Rd, Hudson, NH; 603-718-6111; <http://www.goodwill.org>. Call for hours and what's accepted.
- **Wish Project** - 1A Foundry Street, Lowell; 978-441-WISH (9474); [thewishproject.org](http://thewishproject.org). Drop-off Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm; no pick-ups. Visit website or call to confirm what's accepted.
- **Project Home Again** – [www.phama.org/](http://www.phama.org/). Also accepts working appliances and household goods. e-mail for pickups [info@phama.org](mailto:info@phama.org). Drop-off items to warehouse at Heritage Place/Bldg. #2, 439 So. Union St., Lawrence (Tues. 11am-1pm, Wed. 10am-noon). Please send an email before dropping off items.
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## Household Hazardous Waste

**Westford Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day: Date to Be Announced, please see [WRC website](#) for details**

Past event flyer and details, please [click here](#)

- Westford typically holds a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day every two years - Westford residents only; proof of residency required (driver license, phone bill, etc.). Fee: \$20/car. New payment policy - CHECKS PREFERRED made payable to "Town of Westford"; residents are encouraged to work with neighbors to consolidate volume. Please call the Town Hall for collection date/site/hours; 978-692-5515.
- **Minuteman Household Hazardous Waste Collection** – Lexington; <http://ci.lexington.ma.us/dpw/hhhwfacility.cfm> Holds FREE collections on selected Saturdays during the months of April to November from 9am-2pm for those residents in the consortium of "participating communities." Westford is not a member of this consortium; however, both residents and businesses of Westford may participate on a fee basis (itemized at the Lexington website). Businesses are encouraged to first contact Clean Harbors (781-380-7121) to receive confirmation of items/quantities of items CH will accept on chosen date. For more information: Board of Health, Town of Lexington; 781-862-0500. Directions: Exit 31 off Rt. 128 South (Rt. 4/225) towards Bedford. Take a right at first light onto Hartwell Ave. via jug handle. Site is 1/4 mile on the left just after the bike path at the composting facility, 60 Hartwell Avenue.
- **Clean Harbors** - 1 Hill Ave (off Quincy Ave), Braintree; 781-380-7110; [www.cleanharbors.com](http://www.cleanharbors.com). Accepts small amounts of residential household waste materials and products every Saturday from April 1 to October 31; 9am-noon.

There is a fee. No fire extinguishers or cylinders of any kind.

## **Inkjet & Toner Cartridges**

- **Staples, Inc.** - [www.staples.com](http://www.staples.com).
- **Best Buy Stores** - [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com).

## **Junk**

- **EZ Junk** - 339-793-8201; [www.bestjunkremoval.com](http://www.bestjunkremoval.com).
- **Junk-King** - 978-212-3973; [www.junk-king.com](http://www.junk-king.com).
- **1-800-Got Junk** - 800-468-5865 or 1-781-497-5138; [www.1800gotjunk.com](http://www.1800gotjunk.com).  
Also accepts electronics.

## **Latex Paint**

Latex paint is not considered to be hazardous waste. Let latex paint dry out or use "Waste Paint Hardener" to absorb liquid, then put in the regular trash. Purchase hardener at hardware stores, big-box hardware stores and paint stores. Better yet, buy only enough paint to complete a project.

## **Lawn Mowers**

- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk at 692-5515 to arrange curbside pickup; fee.
- **Westford Power and Motorcycle** - 978-392-7870; 98 Nutting Road; fee.  
Accepts push mowers and tractors; deliver or arrange pick-up.
- **Westford Metals** - 69 Broadway Street; 978-392-3251; M-F: 7am-3pm.
- **Electronics Collection** - Collected at Westford Recycling event. See [Electronics](#).

## **Leaves & Grass Clippings (Yard Waste)**

- Leaves may not be burned. Use mulching mower for light leaf cover that

- produces clippings that will decompose and fertilize the lawn.
- Use clippings and leaves as mulch around trees and shrubs. Leaves are nature's own choice for mulch. Many web sites offer tips on how to use clippings as mulch.
  - Compost leaves and grass clippings. The resulting compost can be used to fertilize trees, shrubs and gardens. Discounted compost bins are available from a Recycling Commission member (978-692-5483).
  - See the Mass DEP Composting page for more information; <http://www.mass.gov/dep>.
  - Other options for Westford residents to take their leaves are listed below:
    - **Red Wagon Landscaping** - 726 Stevens Street, Lowell; 978-250-9866; [www.redwagonlandscaping.com](http://www.redwagonlandscaping.com). Average fees are \$100-150 for curbside pick-up, includes disposal.
    - **Jones Farm** - 246 Acton Rd (Rt. 27), Chelmsford; 978-256-8065; [www.jonesfarm.net](http://www.jonesfarm.net). Dump open M-F 8am-4pm; Sat. & Sun. 8am-2pm. Pre-paid Jones leaf bags are \$3 each. Call for large quantity drop-off rates.
    - **BMC Corporation** - 1079 South St., Tewksbury (composting site); 781-273-0398 or 978-667-2171; [www.tsoil.com](http://www.tsoil.com) (M-F 7am-4pm, Sat. 7am-noon). Check the list at the bottom of their website for towns included. Resident sticker is \$50 season (September 1– August 31) for unlimited quantities of grass clippings and leaves only and may be purchased at on-site office M-F 8:30am-5pm. Plastic bags are not accepted but can be emptied; biodegradable bags can be left.

## Linoleum Flooring

- No outlet known. Dispose with regular trash. For large amounts, call a private hauler.

## Mattresses and Box Springs (non-useable)

- **United Teen Equality Center (UTEC)** - A non-profit organization that serves proven-risk youth in Lowell and Lawrence. Will pick-up, de-manufacture and recycle the components of your mattress and box spring for \$15 each. The UTEC process helps keep mattresses out of landfills. Call UTEC at 978-856-3997 to schedule an appointment and payment. Schedule a pick-up online at <https://utec-mattress.org>.
- Mattress and box springs may be placed for curbside pick up but will require a [Bulk Item Sticker](#). Stickers cost \$5 each and may be purchased from:
  - **Town Clerk** - (978-692-5515).
  - **Tedeschi** - 103 Main Street or 64 Brookside Road.
  - **Market Basket** - Westford Marketplace.

- **Nab's One Stop Shop** - 60 Brookside Road.
- **Town Convenience Store** - 221 Groton Road.

## **Mattresses and Box Springs (useable – for re-use)**

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Drop-off items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Mattresses must not be ripped or stained. Limited pick-up available - \$35 donation.

## **Medical**

Drugs, Medicines & Sharps Disposal - The Westford Health Department accepts used sharps (syringes and lancets) as well as unused, expired drugs, prescription medicines, and/or over-the-counter medications. Collection sites include the Westford Health Department on the 2nd floor of the Town Hall, and the kiosk in the lobby of the Police Department (separate kiosks for medicines and sharps). Empty all pills and medications into Ziploc-type bags. All sharps materials must be delivered in puncture-proof non-glass containers (i.e., bottles, coffee cans, sharps containers; no plastic or paper bags). The kiosk is available 24/7. Contact the Westford Health Department at (978) 692-5509 for further information.

## **Mercury Thermometers & Thermostats**

- **Westford Board of Health** - Town Hall, 55 Main Street; 978-692-5509 (M-F 8am-4pm). The Board of Health also accepts other "intact" mercury-containing devices. Place the items to be disposed of in sealed plastic bags.
- Information on safely cleaning small mercury spills is available from many sites on the Internet, including: [Northeast Waste Management Officials' Association](http://www.nwma.org).

## **Metal (scrap, ferrous and non-ferrous)**

- **Max Levine & Co.** - 270 Tanner St., Lowell; 978-454-7786 (M-F 7:30am-4:15pm, Saturdays in March, April, May, September, October & November 7:30-11:15am,). Primarily metal industrial and building trash; Levine & Co. does not take dehumidifiers, freezers or refrigerators, but they will take other metal white goods and metal construction materials (gutters, etc.). Please call for fees and you must deliver items to their facility in Lowell. More information here: [maxlevinescrapmetals.com](http://maxlevinescrapmetals.com)
- **Black and Blue Demolition and Salvage, Inc.** - 1B Innes Drive - Unit D, Billerica; 978-804-7240. Offers: 1) rental of 15-yard containers to dispose of all

metals, including appliances; 2) residential pick-up for 3-4 large items; 3) demolition services for old trailers/tractor trailers/metal sheds, etc.; 4) may drop-off any size load for \$10; 5) extra charge for televisions and computers. Call office for appt. and pricing; M-F 9am-1pm; pick-ups/drop-offs daily. Senior discounts; free municipal services.

- **Cubelli and Sons** - 377 Howe Street, Methuen; 978-618-2121 or 978-688-1773.
- **BHS Inc.** - 17 Rock St., Lowell; 978-454-0311 (M-F 7:30am-4pm). Accepts non-ferrous metals only (brass, copper, aluminum, etc.).
- **Westford Metals** – 69 Broadway Street; 978-392-3251; M-F 7am-3pm. Accepts all types of metals, including some yard tools such as lawnmowers; free drop-off. Pays for copper, aluminum, brass, bronze, stainless steel, includes electric cables and wires.

## Motor Oil

- **Westford Center Fire Station** - 978-692-5542/business line (Saturdays 8:30am-12:30pm). Donation: \$1 per gallon; bring exact change.
- **Whitney's Service** - 105-107 Main St.; 978-692-7093 (M-F 7:30am-5pm). Fee: \$1 per gallon.
- **Autozone** - 63 Drum Hill Road (978-453-2300); 177 Church St., Lowell (978-452-2999). No fee; possible quantity limit; can keep personal oil container(s).

## Oil Based Paint (see [Hazardous Waste](#))

Oil-based paint must be treated as hazardous waste material and disposed of according to the Department of Environmental Protection regulations - take to a hazardous waste collection site or event. DO NOT air-harden as paint contains volatile chemicals that are air pollutants. DO NOT dispose of in the regular trash.

## Packing Materials

- **The UPS Store** - 119 Drum Hill Road, Chelmsford; 978-454-4700 (Fri. 8am-6pm, Sat. 9am-5pm). Clean Styrofoam peanut; sealed air bags.

## Pantyhose and Nylons

- **No Nonsense** – Accepts worn pantyhose, nylons, and tights by mail and recycles them into products such as park benches and playground equipment.

For more information and to download a mailing label see the website:  
[www.nononsense.com](http://www.nononsense.com).

## Paper and Document Shredding

- **The UPS Store** - 9 Cornerstone Square, Westford; 978-4727-8136 (Fri. 8am-6:30pm, Sat. 9am-2:30pm). Fee: \$1.00 per pound.
- **Staples** - 145 Great Road, Acton, MA; 978-263-6150. Fee: \$0.99 per pound. [Staples Shredding](#).
- **Wish Project** - 1A Foundry Street, Lowell; 978-441-WISH (9474); [www.thewishproject.org](http://www.thewishproject.org). Wed., Fri., Sat., 9am-2pm; \$5 per full shopping bag, \$10 per cardboard box full. Larger quantities, call.

## Prescription Drugs

Prescription drugs can be put in the trash and should never be flushed down a toilet; however, Federal government recommendations state all drugs should be treated first. Instructions can be found at the following link: [How to Dispose of Unused Medicines](#).

- Safe options for disposal:
  - Place unused prescription drugs in Zip-Loc bags without containers or personal information. Deposit in the box in the lobby of the Westford Police Station; 24/7.
  - Search for a National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day. [National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative](#).

## Printer Cartridges (Ink-jet and Laser)

- **Cartridge World** - 83 Parkhurst Street - Unit #16, Chelmsford; 978-735-4311; M-F 9am-6pm.
- **Staples Office Supplies** - [www.staples.com](http://www.staples.com). Call first, not all locations accept laser printer cartridges. Ink cartridges provide StaplesReward benefits!
- **Best Buy** - [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Drop-off boxes at the store entrances.
- **Quill.com** - [www.quill.com](http://www.quill.com). Free shipping and rewards program.

## Propane Gas Grill Tanks

- **MacKay Hardware** - 224 Littleton Road; 978-692-3346 (Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am-5:30pm, Wed. and Sat. 8:30-5pm). Fee: \$5.
- Small Propane Cylinders (capacity approximately 1 pound): Empty cylinders can be disposed of in normal trash; cylinders containing any gas, treat as [hazardous waste](#).

## Railroad Ties

- **E.L. Harvey & Sons** - 68 Hopkinton Road, Westborough 01581; 800-321-3002. Fee.

## Scrubs (for re-use)

- **Global Links** - [www.globallinks.org](http://www.globallinks.org). Global Links is a medical relief and development organization dedicated to supporting health improvement initiatives in resource-poor communities and promoting environmental stewardship in the U.S. healthcare system. Accepts gently worn scrubs and other medical equipment for re-use. Mail to address provided on website.

## Shoes and Sneakers (for re-use)

- **Sneakers** - Visit [Nike Reuse A Shoe](#) for drop-off locations; closest is Converse Community Store, 115A Main Street-North Andover; 978-686-2603.
- **Sneakers and Shoes** - The Westford Elementary and the Westford Middle School PTOs are collecting wearable pairs of gently used shoes during the school year for a fundraising program provided by *ShoeBox Recycling*. Almost all types of shoes are accepted, including adult and children's casual shoes, dress shoes, athletic shoes, work boots and sandals. **Not accepted:** Heavy winter boots, ski boots, roller skates, rollerblades, ice skates, flip flops, Crocs™ and bedroom slippers. Shoes should be in wearable condition with no holes, with shoelaces if needed and cannot be wet, mildewed or in need of repairs. Collection boxes are located at:
  - All public schools grades Kindergarten through 8. Funds raised through the *ShoeBox Recycling* program will be used to support Arts and Education Programming (AEP) and other activities provided to all Westford elementary and middle school students by the WEPTO and WMSPTO. For more information about donating: [Click here for a flier](#) or, email: [westfordmiddleschoolpto@gmail.com](mailto:westfordmiddleschoolpto@gmail.com)

## Smoke Detectors (see [Electronics](#))

The most common type of smoke detector contains a small amount of Americium 241, a radioactive material. For this reason all detectors must, by law, be labeled for radioactive content. The Mass Dept. of Environmental Protection states it is legal to dispose of old smoke detectors in the trash. Save until next Electronics collection; free disposal.

## Sporting Goods

- **Play It Again Sports** – 781-609-2506; 108 River St., Waltham. Store buys, sells, trades, and takes on consignment both new and used sporting goods.
- **Goodwill Industries of New Hampshire** - 2454 Lafayette Street, Portsmouth NH; 603-430-2040; [www.goodwillnne.org](http://www.goodwillnne.org) for list of acceptable donations.
- **Goodwill of Massachusetts** - 230 Elm St., Somerville; 617-628-3618 (Mon.-Sat. 10am-7pm, Sun. noon-6pm); [www.goodwillmass.org](http://www.goodwillmass.org).
- **Salvation Army** - Nashua (603-880-0271); Saugus (781-231-0803); [www.salvationarmy.org](http://www.salvationarmy.org). Call 800-958-7825 for other locations.

## Styrofoam

- If you are not able to recycle Styrofoam with ReFoamIt (see below), you can put Styrofoam cups, trays, egg cartons, block, etc. in your trash. Do not put Styrofoam in your recycling bin.
- **ReFoamIt** - 25 Mohawk Drive, Warehouse 2, Leominster, MA 01453; 508-864-8723; [www.refoamit.com](http://www.refoamit.com). Click on link for Single Events, Ongoing Recycling Programs, and What Can Be Recycled. ReFoamIt offers different ways for everyone to recycle EPS foam. You may drop it at the processing facility in Leominster, attend a one day collection/recycle event, or call to arrange a pickup. There is no charge, but appointments are needed to drop-off your foam. Please call 508-864-8723 before dropping off your foam.

## Televisions (non-working)

- Collected on annual Town Electronics Collection days; Click [here](#) to access Westford's Recycling site and select Upcoming Events. Some items require a fee. (See [Electronics](#)).
- **Atlas Recycling** - Call Town Clerk 978-692-5515 to arrange curbside pickup; fee.
- **Best Buy Stores** - [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com). Accepts tube TV's up to 32 inches; flat

panel TV's - Plasma or LCD less than 50 inches. Free.

## Televisions (working)

- **Household Goods, Inc.** - 530 Main St., Acton; 978-635-1710; [www.householdgoods.org](http://www.householdgoods.org). Dropoff items Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 9am-noon. Accepts working televisions manufactured in 2000 or later (check label on back of TV for year manufactured).

## Thermometers and Thermostats

- **Mercury type** – Treat as hazardous waste. Do not throw in the trash. See [Mercury Thermometers and Thermostats](#) regarding safe disposal.
- **Electronic type** – Recycle at Electronics Collection.

## Tires

**Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project:** In recognition of Earth Day 2010, a tire collection and recycling program has been launched as a value-added service to member communities. This "source reduction" technique of the Integrated Pest Management Program (IPM) aims to reduce breeding habitats for mosquitoes, prevent the transport of eggs/larvae/pupae, and impede the potential introduction of species into new areas. Tires accepted for this program will be sent to an approved facility for recycling or disposal at no additional cost to residents or member cities or towns. For the latest information on this collection project: [www.cmmcp.org/tires.htm](http://www.cmmcp.org/tires.htm) or call Tim Deschamps at 508-393-3055.

- **Liberty/Routhier Tire Recycling** – 978-772-4251; 256 Ayer Rd., Littleton; M-F 7am-4pm; Sat. 8am-noon. Accepts any number of car and light truck tires at \$3.00 each; pay with cash, check, or credit card.
- Small quantities of tires will be removed on trash days; each tire requires a bulk item sticker.
- Check with tire installer/vendor about recycling policy when replacing/purchasing new tires. This is the best time to recycle.

## Toilets

- **Conigliaro Industries** – [www.conigliaro.com](http://www.conigliaro.com); 701 Waverly Rd., Framingham 01702; 508-872-9668. Call for drop-off hours. Fee.
- **TBI-North Andover Facility** - [www.thomsonbrothersindustries.com](http://www.thomsonbrothersindustries.com); 200 Holt

Road North Andover, MA 01845; 978-686-8604. M-F 5:00am–5:00pm, Sat. 7:00am-noon, Sun. Closed. Accepts general heavy-duty recyclable materials, construction items, etc. Fee.

## **Tyvek Mailing Envelopes**

Tyvek mailing envelopes are made from #2 plastic and are not collected at curbside. No local recycling program is available. Must be placed in normal trash.

- How to distinguish Tyvek envelopes from paper: Tyvek envelopes are as thin as paper, usually white, with a soapy smooth rice paper-like finish. They are identifiable because they are almost completely indestructible. Often the envelope will say Tyvek or #2 plastic, but not always.

## **Umbrellas**

Remove the fabric and bring the metal frame to **Westford Metals** – 69 Broadway Street; 978-392-3251; M-F 7am-3pm or, another steel recycler.

## **Vinyl LP Records (see [Books](#))**

Vinyl records may not be recycled curbside.