



How Do I Dispose of Various Items?

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Sustainable Waste Management

Some household belongings aren't fit for disposal in municipal solid waste (MSW) containers because they contain materials that are hazardous or should be recycled.

In a world that's becoming increasingly environmentally conscious, you can feel satisfied about your partnership with Leck Waste Services. One of our missions is to ensure that we're contributing to the environment in positive and sustainable ways. We're proud to serve Greater Philadelphia commercial, residential and municipal customers as a leading sustainable waste management company with a focus on environmental stewardship.

Enjoy this handy disposal guide and consider the positive difference you're making with your safe-disposal practices. Because of your efforts, our delicate environment can help support future generations.



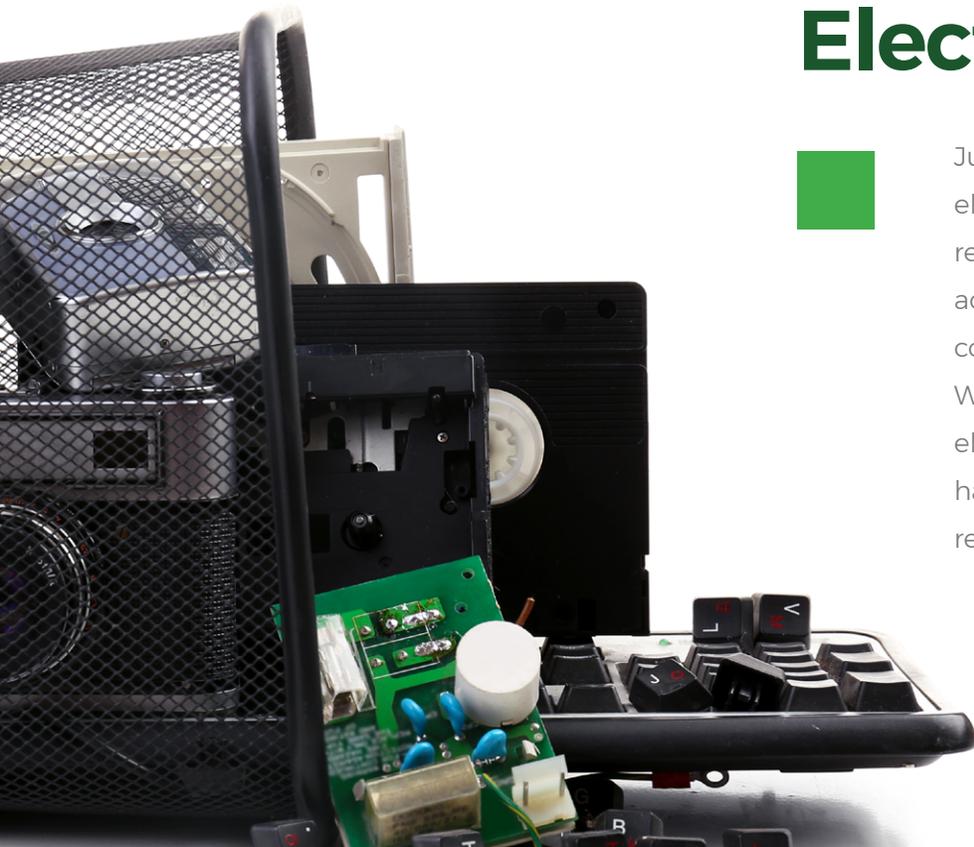
Paint

Most paint is considered to be hazardous waste and cannot be placed in trash dumpsters. Municipalities routinely conduct events at set locations for residents to drop off household hazardous wastes, including paint, thinners, nail polish remover, electronics, glues and pesticides.



Electronics

Just as with paint products, most electronics cannot be disposed of in regular trash. Electronics generally are accepted at municipality-designated collection areas on specific days. Leck Waste Services also recycles some electronics. This collection can be handled by notifying a Leck service representative.



Bulk Items

Large bulk items such as mattresses and furniture will not fit into trash dumpsters and must be collected separately. If space exists, large open-top containers (20-, 30- and 40-yard containers) can be placed on site for these items. Separate transportation and disposal charges would typically apply for these items.



Yard Waste

Yard waste is generally nonhazardous and can be placed in trash dumpsters. Many municipalities require that yard waste be composted and eventually recycled in lieu of disposal.



Dirt



Soil that is contaminated can be hazardous or nonhazardous and must be tested in accordance with United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) protocols to determine whether it is hazardous or nonhazardous. If nonhazardous, test results must be provided to support this determination. Even if nonhazardous, it is considered “special or residual waste” in Pennsylvania and cannot be placed in trash dumpsters. Applications must be made for disposal, and this process can take up to one to three months.

Concrete



Concrete is classified as a construction and demolition (C&D) waste material. It cannot be placed in trash dumpsters. Concrete can be processed by recycling facilities specifically designed to create value for these materials.



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