

# Safe Disposal of Batteries

Due to the extreme fire hazards of batteries, please dispose of properly. Never put batteries, or things with batteries in them, in your garbage or commingle recycling. They can spark and cause fires. They can be recycled at County transfer stations, Deschutes Recycling, Household Hazardous Waste facilities, and local retailers.



Alkaline batteries can be safely disposed of in regular garbage, they are mercury-free and non-hazardous, but recycling at all transfer stations, Deschutes Recycling or retailers is encouraged.



Button cell batteries in watches, hearing aids, and electronics often contain hazardous materials. Recycle at all transfer stations, Deschutes Recycling or local retailers.



Lithium-ion rechargeable batteries found in cell phones and computers can cause fires. Recycle at all transfer stations, Deschutes Recycling or local retailers.



Lead-acid batteries are highly toxic. Recycle at all transfer stations, Deschutes Recycling and battery retail outlets.

***Store all household batteries out of reach of children and pets and away from sources of heat.***

## Battery Recycling Retailers

*Batteries can be accepted at many Central Oregon retailers. Contact Staples, Batteries and Bulbs, Best Buy, Lowes and Home Depot for more information.*

# Household Hazardous Waste

**Batteries can also be recycled at the Household Hazardous Waste facility. Visit [deschutes.org/solidwaste](https://deschutes.org/solidwaste) for dates and locations of collection.**



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