

Last Updated 09/21/2009 **A-Z Recycling and Safe Disposal Directory**

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Aerosol Cans

Residential

- accepted in the Household Chemical Drop-Off Program, free of charge
- call 3-1-1 for locations or go to www.calgary.ca/waste for more information
- cans do not have to be punctured or crushed

Commercial

- permit required for disposal from a business, call 3-1-1 for more information
- charges apply
- cans must be punctured or crushed
- contractors with large commercial volumes of aerosol cans must contact a Waste Broker for disposal. Look in the yellow pages under Waste Broker for a listing.

Ammunition/Explosives

- contact the Calgary Police Service at (403) 266-1234 for safe disposal.

Animal Carcasses Or Parts (Including Pets)

- animal carcasses or parts can only be brought to the Shepard Landfill
- inform scale house staff upon arrival so that the animal can be disposed of in a designated area
- no charges apply for pets
- most cattle carcasses or parts are accepted at Shepard landfill, however exceptions apply
- Specified Risk Materials (SRM's) cattle parts are not acceptable for disposal at any City landfill i.e. the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the

spinal cord) of cattle aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of cattle of all ages. Inquiries regarding disposal of SRM's should be directed to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (1-800-442-2342).

Appliances- Large (Includes Emptied Refrigerators, Freezers, Stoves, Microwaves And Residential Air Conditioners)

- large appliances can be taken to City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas for recycling
- charges apply
- for recycling options refer to the Yellow Pages under "Metal Recycling" for private companies that may accept or buy appliances

Appliances- Small (Includes Toasters, Toaster Ovens, Coffeemakers)

- working small appliances can be donated to charity. See Household Goods.
- residential quantities of unusable small appliances can be packaged properly for disposal either in regular residential garbage or at a City landfill (charges may apply)

Asbestos Waste

- for removal and handling of asbestos refer to the Yellow Pages under "Asbestos Abatement & Removal" for private companies that handle asbestos clean-up
 - The Calgary Health Region (CHR) will also provide further information on removal and handling - 403-943-2288
- Residential amounts:
- WRS requires asbestos to be specially packaged
 - permit and appointment are required
 - call 3-1-1 to generate a service request about disposal
 - charges will apply

Batteries - Automotive

- car batteries are accepted in the Household Chemical Drop-off Program
- residents can take household chemicals (including car batteries), free of charge, to any of The City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations
- refer to the Yellow Pages under "Batteries" for private companies that may accept or buy automotive batteries

Batteries - Household

- non-rechargeable alkaline and "dry" batteries can be disposed of in regular residential garbage
- check Yellow Pages under "batteries – dry" for local recyclers that will accept household batteries. Charges may apply.

Batteries - Rechargeable

- many locations now accept rechargeable batteries for recycling, free of charge

- to locate the nearest rechargeable battery collection site, call the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) at (416) 535-9210. Website:
<http://www.rbrc.org/start.php>

Bio-medical waste

- refer to the Yellow Pages under "Waste disposal - hazardous" for private companies that will handle bio-medical waste. Charges may apply.

Books

- pages from books can be recycled at recycling depots or in blue carts.
- book bindings, including the hard cover exterior, are not recyclable and must be placed in the garbage.
- contact used books stores, to donate or sell books

Bottles - returnable/refundable

- all ready-to-serve beverage containers, including milk containers, can be returned to a bottle depot for a refund
- bottle depots are privately operated
- to find the nearest bottle depot, contact the Beverage Container Manager Board at 1-888-424-7671. Web link: <http://www.bcmb.ab.ca/calgary-bottle-depot.html>

Cell phones

- many businesses now accept cell phones for recycling as part of the *Call 2 Recycle* program.
- this service is offered free of charge
- to locate the nearest cell phone collection site, call the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) at (416) 535-9210 or visit <http://www.rbrc.org/start.php>

CDs and DVDs

- currently no resources available to recycle CDs or DVDs
- dispose in regular waste

Christmas trees

- Christmas trees can be dropped off, free of charge, at one of many seasonal drop-off locations or at any of the three City landfills Throw 'n' Go sites during the annual Christmas Tree Mulching Program
- remove all decorations, tinsel, plastic and string
- no artificial trees accepted
- seasonal locations list is available online for the duration of the program
- mulch is available for residential use at the East Calgary Landfill, while quantities last

Web Link:

http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_784_203_0_43/htt

[p%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/Christmas+Tree+Mulching+Program.htm](http://content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/Christmas+Tree+Mulching+Program.htm)

Clean fill

(DIRT, CLAY, SAND OR GRAVEL THE SIZE OF PEAS - MUST BE FREE OF ANY DEBRIS)

- DEBRIS includes sod, branches and twigs, large rocks, garbage, construction materials, etc. note that grass, sod and debris (any kind of mixed load) are not considered to be clean fill and will be charged at the basic sanitary waste rate.
- If other items are mixed in with the clean fill, it is the LANDFILL STAFF'S DISCRETION AS TO WHAT RATE WILL BE CHARGED.
- Clean fill is accepted at the landfills under the discretion of the Landfill Foreman and the Environmental Control Team.
- Due to muddy conditions clean fill is NOT accepted immediately after a rainfall. Typically it takes 1 to 2 days without rain for the landfills to dry-out after a rain event.
- Call 3-1-1 to determine if the landfills are accepting clean fill after a rain event.

CLEAN FILL TESTING (SOIL ANALYSIS)

Any soil that will be considered for clean fill acceptance at any of the City operated landfills must have analytical test results (recent within one year) to show that the soil is clean and meets the requirements for clean fill acceptance and usage.

RESIDENTIAL HOMEOWNERS:

- Whether soil analysis is required for residential loads is at the discretion of the Environmental Control Team
- Clean-fill acceptance is considered on an individual basis
- To dispose of soil call 3-1-1
- Environmental Technician will advise of requirements - the Tech will either issue an approval number over the phone if satisfied that there are no potential contaminants, or explain that an analytical test is required
- If it is determined that an analytical test is required, see below for info on how to obtain that test.

COMMERCIAL COMPANY

Generally, any type of commercial business will have to have clean-fill analytical testing.

Residential work:

- A site inspection and/or a soil analysis may be required depending on the Technician's assessment of the situation, in order to issue an approval number
- Must provide approval number at scale-house in order to dispose of clean-fill
- Depending on the risk of soil contamination residential landscapers may, at the discretion of the Environmental Technician, obtain an approval number without soil analysis. Commercial work:
- Clean-fill analysis is always required

- Call 3-1-1 to schedule an appointment with an Environmental Technician

REQUIRED FOR TESTING

- A representative sample or samples of soil,
- Depending on the size and depths of each project are required.
- With larger excavations, when different material is encountered, new samples are required.

CLEAN FILL TESTING RESOURCES

- Yellow pages under Laboratories
- Specify soil testing

Compressed gas cylinders (including medi-gas, helium and propane)

- some retail locations such as grocery stores or gas stations will accept old compressed gas tanks for recycling and give you a credit towards the purchase of a new tank at their establishment
- WRS will only accept propane containers
- see Propane tank listing for disposal of propane tanks
- for any other containers or large commercial quantities call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for advice on disposal
- Calgary Metal Recycling Inc. takes compressed gas cylinders, but the valves must be removed prior to drop off, 403-262-4542

Computers

- see Electronics

Cooking oil and grease

- small residential quantities (approximately 1 litre or less) of cooking oil must be packaged properly for disposal in either regular residential garbage or at a City landfill
- charges will apply
- liquids are not accepted in regular residential garbage or at City landfills
- oils must be solidified with absorbent materials such as paper towels, sawdust or kitty litter and then double-bagged
- for large commercial quantities (over 1 litre) call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal. Charges will apply.

Drums - empty

- Shepard landfill only
- charges apply
- drums must be empty and crushed
- permit may be required - call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal

Egg Cartons

- cardboard paper and plastic (check for number on bottom of package) egg cartons can be recycled by taking them to a recycling depots or putting them into a blue cart
- styrofoam egg cartons are not accepted for recycling and can be placed in regular waste.

Electronics

- the City has partnered with private industry to provide several permanent electronics recycling depots for residential electronics recycling
- City landfills do NOT accept electronics for recycling
- Old (end-of-life) televisions, computer monitors, CPUs (central processing units), laptops, electronic notebooks, printers and some additional devices are accepted at e-waste depots. Some restrictions apply. Residential quantities only accepted. Call 3-1-1 for depot locations.

Web Link to e-cycling depots:

http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_780_237_0_43/http%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Electronics+Recycling/Electronics+Recycling+Depots+in+Calgary.htm

Commercial:

- businesses with electronic waste for disposal can contact Ecycle Solutions directly at 403-945-2611, Recycle-Logic Inc. at 403-266-1012, GEEP Ecosys at 403-219-3137 or Alberta Recycling Management Authority at 1-888-999-8762.

Fire extinguishers

- accepted in the Household Chemical Drop-off Program
- residents can take fire extinguishers, as well as up to 20 liters of household chemicals per week, free of charge, to any of The City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations

Fireworks

- it is illegal to own fireworks in Calgary
- contact the Calgary Police Service at (403) 266-1234 for safe disposal.

Food products

- for large commercial quantities call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal at Shepard landfill only
- charges will apply

Gasoline/fuel

- residents can take gasoline/fuel, as well as up to 20 liters of household chemicals per week, free of charge, to any of The City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations

- if a citizen would like to keep their container (jerry can, etc.) after disposing of the gasoline/fuel, they must go to the East Calgary landfill, as this is the only landfill set up to decant fuels.

Glass - broken

- glass food jars and bottles can be recycled in blue carts and at recycling depots.
- light bulbs, windows, plate glass, mirrors, porcelain, ceramics and needles are not acceptable in blue carts or at the recycling depots. These items should be treated as “sharps” and packaged properly for disposal in regular residential waste collection or at City landfills (charges would apply)
- properly package glass shards by wrapping in paper and bagging them, placing in sealed cardboard boxes or wrapping completely in duct tape. Label as sharps with an indelible/permanent marker.

Grass

- grass is not considered clean fill. If grass is brought for disposal at the landfill the basic sanitary rate applies.
- grasscycling is an option for homeowners, to divert this material from the landfill. See weblink for more information:
http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_784_203_0_43/http%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/Grass+cycling.htm
- see Organics

Household Chemicals

- residents can take up to 20 liters of household chemicals per week, free of charge, to any of The City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations as part of the Household Chemical Drop-off Program.
- Waste & Recycling Services, along with the Calgary Fire Department offers a total of eight year-round chemical drop-off depots
- residents can take household hazardous chemicals at any time of year, free of charge, to any of five designated fire stations or the three City landfills with special storage depots
- depots are available seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- this program is for *residential household chemicals only*

Household Goods

- many local charities accept donations of useable household goods at various drop-off locations and offer a free pick-up service
- refer to the Yellow Pages under individual charities for phone numbers and drop-off locations
- Some options are:
 - Canadian Diabetes Association call 403-266-0620 for information or 403-509-0070 for pick-up.

<http://www.diabetes.ca/get-involved/supporting-us/clothesline/>

- Salvation Army call 403-287-0001 for drop-off locations or call your closest store
- Women in Need Society: Call (403) 255-5102 for information or (403) 252-3826 for furniture pick-up.
<http://www.womeninneed.net/index.php?page=7>

Leaves and Pumpkins

- City program composts the leaves and pumpkins and uses the material to enrich the soil in City green spaces and at the Calgary Zoo
- residents can bring bagged leaves and pumpkins to any of the specially marked Leaf & Pumpkin drop-off locations or all three City landfills during the annual Leaf and Pumpkin
- program typically runs from late September to early November. See weblinks: Leaf & Pumpkin Composting Program webpage:
http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_395_203_0_47/http%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/Leaf+and+Pumpkin+Drop+Off+Program.htm
- Only the East Calgary landfill accepts leaves and pumpkins free of charge from residents throughout the year
- basic sanitary waste charges will apply to loads mixed with branches, grass clippings, garden waste, or garbage
- residents are asked to debug onsite

Light ballasts

- up to five light ballasts can be taken to any City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas
- charges will apply
- call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal of more than five light ballasts

Light bulbs (including fluorescent tubes)

- CFL (Compact Fluorescent) bulbs are not accepted in Calgary's blue cart or recycling depots
- Up to six incandescent light bulbs (traditional household bulbs), fluorescent bulbs or tubes can be packaged properly and left for regular residential garbage collection
- properly package bulbs, tubes or glass shards by wrapping in paper and bagging them, placing in sealed cardboard boxes or wrapping completely in duct tape. Label as sharps.
- properly packaged light bulbs and tubes can also be taken to City landfills for disposal. - charges will apply
- for commercial quantities call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal. Charges will apply.

Drugs/Medication

- drugs/medications are not accepted at landfills
- unused portions of drugs/medication should be returned to pharmacies for disposal
- contact a local pharmacy in advance to ensure that they will accept drugs/medication

Microwave ovens

- microwave ovens can be recycled at City landfills (charges may apply):
- other options for recycling include:
 - Recycle-Logic Inc. (no charge)
(403) 266-1012 <http://www.recycle-logic.com>
 - Top Flight (eCycle Solutions) (charge applies)
(403) 291-9158 <http://www.topflightassets.com/>
 - Atlas Appliances (\$15 charge, no pick-up service)
(403) 259-3334

Motor oil, oil filters & oil containers

Residential:

- accepted in the Household Chemical Drop-off Program at landfill Throw 'N' Go areas
- residents can take up to 20 liters once per week of household chemicals
- free of charge

Commercial:

- large commercial quantities visit the Alberta Used Oil Management Association Website for drop off locations:

<http://www.usedoilrecycling.com/en/ab/dropofflocations>

or call toll-free 1-888-922-2298

- refer to the Yellow Pages under "oils – waste" for disposal options

Needles

- needles (properly packaged) can be disposed of in regular residential waste or a City landfill
- properly package needles by putting them into a puncture resistant, non-breakable, sealed container (ie. plastic bleach bottle) and labeling as sharps
- label with an indelible/permanent marker as "sharps"

Organics

- clippings from lawns and garden waste must be in plastic bags for collection
- do not store or pile loose for collection
- tie larger clippings like branches in bundles no more than 1.25-metres long
- basic sanitary waste charges will apply for mixed loads to the landfill consisting of branches, grass clippings, garden waste, or garbage

Recycling options:

- see leaf and pumpkin program for recycling options for those materials

- composting – weblink to composting information:

http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_395_203_0_47/http%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/What+is+Composting.htm

- the City sells subsidized backyard composters to help residents recycle organics through the Clean Calgary Association Ecostore, located at 809 - 4th Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2P 0K5. 403-230-1443 ext. 222 or visit

<http://www.cleancalgary.org/index.php/ecostore>.

- grasscycling - Leave clippings on the lawn to reduce waste and retain moisture. Web Link to information on grasscycling:

http://www.calgary.ca/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_784_203_0_43/http%3B/content.calgary.ca/CCA/City+Hall/Business+Units/Waste+and+Recycling+Services/Recycling+Information/Residential+Services/Organics+Recycling/Grass+cycling.htm

Paint and paint cans

Residential:

- Paint and empty, dry paint cans accepted in Household Chemical Drop-off Program

- empty, dry paint containers can be left for residential waste collection

- ensure can is empty and dry, with lid off

Commercial:

- large commercial quantities, refer to the Yellow Pages under "Waste Disposal - Hazardous" for private brokers

- ARMA at 1-888-999-8762

Pet waste

Residential:

- pet waste must be properly packaged (securely double bagged) and placed out for residential waste collection

- pet waste can be composted, but it should only be done in a commercial sized, centralized composting system. Pet waste should not be put in a backyard composter as the pile does not heat up enough to completely destroy harmful bacteria and it may cause odours.

Commercial:

- for disposal of large commercial quantities, call 3-1-1 to ask about obtaining a permit or information on disposal aside from the landfill. Charges will apply if disposed of at the landfill.

Photographs, self-stick removable notes, envelopes/boxes with plastic windows

- recyclable through the blue cart program or the recycling depots.

Plastic

Hard Plastic

- plastic containers labeled with the recycling symbol 1-7 can be recycled in blue carts or at recycling depots
- plastics containers without a number are not an acceptable material and cannot be put into the blue cart or a recycling depot
- plastics that are not a container (i.e. plastic toys, laundry baskets) are not an acceptable material and cannot be put into the blue cart or a recycling depot
- polystyrene foam (even if it has a recycling symbol on it) are not an acceptable material and cannot be put into the blue cart or a recycling depot

Soft Plastic

- soft, stretchy plastics can be recycled in blue carts or at recycling depots.
- examples include grocery/shopping bags, clothing/garment bags, bread bags, sandwich/lunch bags, saran-wrap and bubble wrap
- as a general rule, soft plastic that is stretchy is recyclable, and soft plastic that is crinkly is not recyclable.

Printer cartridges

- not recyclable in blue carts or recycling depots
- download our Recycling Opportunities List for businesses that will accept printer cartridges for recycling. Weblink:
http://www.calgary.ca/docgallery/bu/sws/recycling_opportunities.pdf

Private documents

- shredded paper can be recycled in blue carts or at recycling depots
- Put shredded paper in a **clear** plastic bag and tie the handles.
- private documents can be taken to the City landfills as well. Any documents requiring immediate burial will be charged at the Hard to Handle rate and is at the discretion of the landfill staff. Inform the scalehouse upon arrival and you will be directed to the appropriate location. Charges will apply.

Propane tanks

- residents can take propane tanks to any of the City landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations as part of the Household Chemical Drop-off Program
- free of charge
- residential amounts only
- Calgary Metal Recycling Inc. also takes propane tanks, but the valves must be removed prior to drop off. 403-262-4542

Radioactive waste

- contact the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission at (403) 292-5181.

Refrigerators/Freezers

- residents can take empty refrigerators, freezers and air conditioning units to any of the City landfill Throw 'N' Go areas for disposal. Charges apply.
- refrigerant removal surcharge applies regardless if the refrigerant has been removed or not

- weight charges apply AS WELL.

Sharps

- glass food jars and bottles can be recycled in blue carts and at recycling depots.
- light bulbs, windows, plate glass, mirrors, porcelain, ceramics and needles are not acceptable in blue carts or at the recycling depots. These items should be treated as "sharps" and packaged properly for disposal in regular residential waste collection or at City landfills (charges would apply)
- properly package glass shards by wrapping in paper and bagging them, placing in sealed cardboard boxes or wrapping completely in duct tape. Label as sharps.
- properly package needles by putting them into a puncture resistant, non-breakable, sealed container (i.e. plastic bleach bottle) and labeling as sharps
- label with an indelible/permanent marker as "sharps"

Sod/loam

- sod and loam are not considered clean fill
- can be taken to any City landfill
- charges will apply

Soil

- see Clean Fill

Styrofoam

- not accepted through in blue carts or at recycling depots
- Styrofoam must be packaged properly (contained in a bag or box) for disposal either in regular residential garbage or at a City landfill (charges apply)
- bag or box Styrofoam chips prior to disposal to limit litter

Sulphur

- call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal
- charges for disposal will apply

Sump – car wash

- call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal
- charges for disposal will apply

Sump – industrial shop

- call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal
- charges for disposal will apply

Telephone books

- telephone books can be recycled in blue carts or at recycling depots

Televisions

- see Electronics

Thermometers/Thermostats (mercury content)

Residential:

- package in a puncture resistant, non-breakable, sealed container (e.g. plastic bleach bottle)
- label as "thermometer" or "mercury", with an indelible/permanent marker and take to a City landfill for disposal
- charges will apply

Commercial:

- for large commercial quantities call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal
- charges will apply
- NOTE: call 911 if a thermometer, thermostat, or wall-mounted blood pressure cuff is broken (mercury released)

Tires

Residential Car/Truck Tires:

- 4 or less tires without rims are accepted for no charge at all landfills
- loads of 5 tires or more are accepted at Shepard Landfill ONLY and CHARGES APPLY

Commercial Tires:

- 5 or more tires are accepted at the Shepard Landfill ONLY and CHARGES APPLY
- tires on rims are accepted but will be charged at the basic sanitary waste rate
- for disposal of commercial quantities of tires call the Alberta Recycling Management Authority toll-free at 1-888-999-8762

Tree Branches

- see Organics

VCR's and DVD Players

- VCR's and DVD players that no longer work may be taken to certain electronic recycling depots across the City of Calgary. Please check in advance to see if the depots accepts your item and if charges will apply. See Electronics.
- VCR's and DVD players that are in working order can be donated to charity – see Household Goods

Video tapes

- video tapes are not recyclable in blue carts or at recycling depots

- dispose of tapes in regular residential garbage or take to a City landfill for disposal (charges apply)

Wood – creosote-treated (including railway ties, telephone poles, garden ties)

- creosote-treated wood and railway ties are only accepted for disposal at the Shepard landfill
- Call 3-1-1 to generate a service request for disposal
- charges will apply
- The Industrial Waste rate will be charged

Wood – pallets

- wood can be taken to any landfill, charges will apply
- for recycling opportunities, consult the Yellow Pages or visit the Calgary Materials Exchange website under 'wood recyclers'. Web Link:
<http://www.cmex.ca>

Wood – pressure treated (including decking, fence boards)

- residential quantities are accepted for disposal at all City landfills
- charges apply
- for recycling opportunities, consult the Yellow Pages or visit the Calgary Materials Exchange website under 'wood recyclers'. Web Link:
<http://www.cmex.ca>

Yard waste

- see Organics