RECYCLING DONE RIGHT

For Residents of Clark County • October 2026-2027

How to Properly Dispose of BATTERIES

Each year, improper disposal of batteries sparks hundreds of dangerous fires at our transfer stations and in our trucks.

When old batteries are tossed into the garbage, they end up in a garbage truck's compactor where they might crush or grind against other material and ignite. The same thing can happen if batteries end up in recycling carts. When heavy equipment compresses the recycling at a transfer station, hidden batteries can spark or combust. Even “dead” batteries can still start a fire under the right conditions.

Be battery smart! Help prevent fires and protect solid waste workers by safely dispose of batteries. All small household batteries can be recycled for free at transfer stations and other convenient local drop-off locations.

Battery drop-off locations accept:
- **Lithium-ion batteries (Li-ion)**, commonly found in cell phones and power banks.
- **Nickel-metal hydride (Ni-MH) and nickel-cadmium batteries (Ni-Cd)**, commonly found in power tools and gaming controllers.
- **Small sealed lead acid batteries (SLA) under 5 lbs**, commonly found in emergency devices and ride-on toys.
- **Single-use batteries**, including all alkaline (AAA, AA, C, D, 9V) and coin or button cell batteries.

All batteries must have their ends taped or be individually bagged.

Batteries should never be placed in a Waste Connections container.

If you have curbside recycling service, you can recycle small household batteries (except lithium-ion batteries) on your regular recycling day. Tape the ends on each battery, place them in a sealed clear bag, and set the bag on top of your recycling cart.



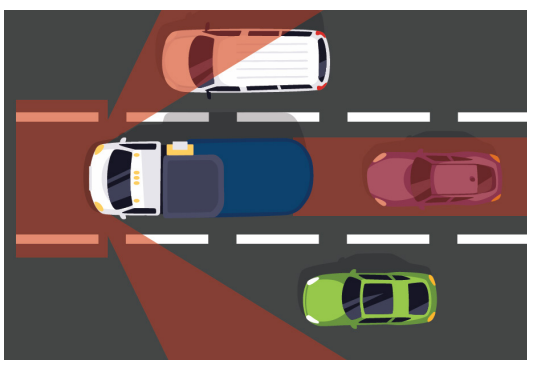
Visit **WCNorthwest.com/go/Batteries-2026** to learn more about safe battery disposal and find drop-off locations

Safety Starts at the Curb

Waste Connections drivers are trained to be efficient and prioritize safety.

Every week, Waste Connections of Washington serves over 286,000 customers across Clark County. A fleet of 150 drivers collect garbage, recycling, organics, yard debris, and glass and bring them to one of our three transfer stations to be sorted and packaged for transport. With so many moving parts, how do we keep ourselves and our community safe?

Waste Connections trains employees to prioritize safety at all times. Each driver takes part in an intensive driving program and is required to repeat the course twice a year. High visibility and protective gear must be worn at all times. In addition, Waste Connections emphasizes a safety-first attitude with mandatory safety meetings and support for drivers to remain incident-free and injury-free.



A diagram highlighting the blind spots of a Waste Connections truck. Objects in the red zones may not be visible to our drivers.

While our drivers complete extensive safety and defensive driving training, not everything is in the drivers' control, and incidents can still occur. We ask community members to help us foster safety by being patient with our trucks, giving them as much space as possible, minding blind spots and moving parts, and making adequate room for carts to be serviced.

Visit **WCNorthwest.com/go/Safety-2026** to learn more.

WASTE CONNECTIONS of WASHINGTON, INC.
Connect with the Future

We are Waste Connections, your local solid waste hauler. We strive for a cleaner, greener Clark County by promoting waste reduction and a variety of waste solutions.

Based in Vancouver, we are proud to serve this community that we call home. We strive to better serve our community by celebrating the incredible diversity of all its peoples and our workforce. Visit **WCNorthwest.com/Diversity** to learn more about this commitment.

Apartments and Condos

Follow these tips to keep your shared space clean and safe.

Not all cardboard is the same!
Boxes that can go in the fridge and freezer, known as wet-strength cardboard, are garbage.





Contact your property manager to schedule a special pick up for bulky items such as mattresses and furniture.



No plastic bags in recycling containers.
Tip: Collect recycling in a reusable tote bag, empty it into the recycle container, and repeat!



Does your apartment have doorstep garbage services?
Please follow guidelines provided by management for your doorstep service *and* the included recycle guide.
Visit **WCNorthwest.com/go/Apartments-2026** to learn more.

Join your neighbors

Keep food out of the landfill!

FREE and convenient composting is available to all residents!

Live in an apartment or outside of the Organics service area?



How to compost at a community hub:

1. Collect all food scraps.
2. Transport to a hub.
3. Dump into the cart.
4. Repeat!

Request a free pail (subject to availability) to collect and transport food scraps to a community compost hub.

View locations and learn more:

bit.ly/We-Compost

Join your community and keep food out of the landfill.

HELP PREVENT BATTERY FIRES IN CLARK COUNTY

Keep batteries out of garbage and recycle carts and dumpsters!

Used or "dead" batteries can ignite and have dangerous consequences.



To safely dispose of batteries:

1. Tape battery ends or place in separate sealed plastic bags.
2. Find locations at RecyclingA-Z.com or on the RecycleRight app.
3. Drop off batteries for safe disposal.

Download the RecycleRight app to view your collection calendar, receive service notifications and weather alerts! Check out the A-Z directory to learn more about proper disposal for hundreds of items.

RECYCLING DONE RIGHT

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No lids, corks, or citrus



Don't Put Recycling in Plastic Bags

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NEVER place batteries in any cart



- **Batteries NEVER go in any Waste Connections container.**
- **Do not put sharps or heavy objects** in any cart.
- Place carts and glass bin 3 feet apart and at least 5 feet away from parked cars, trees, or other objects when possible.
- Set carts out at curb by **6 AM or the night before**.
- **Put fridge and freezer boxes** in the garbage.
- Make sure recyclables are **empty, clean, and dry**.
- If a lid on a plastic container **screws on, it stays on**.
- When in doubt, find out! Visit WCNorthwest.com and **check the A-Z Directory for specific items.**

Yard Debris
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Branches up to 4 inches in diameter and 5 feet in length

Organics
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Yard Debris and Food Waste

Available within the city limits of Vancouver and Ridgefield



Not Accepted in Yard Debris or Organics



Plastic Bags | Paper, Compostable Items | Dirt, Sod, Rocks | Stumps, Lumber | Glass Products | Pet Waste

Residential Curbside

We accept motor oil, antifreeze, and single-use household batteries at the curb on your recycle service day.* Use the RecycleRight app or visit **WCNorthwest.com** to find free drop-off locations.

Motor Oil and Antifreeze



NO: Mixing motor oil or antifreeze with each other or any other liquid.

Pour motor oil or antifreeze into a clear, 1-gallon plastic jug with a screw-top lid. No other containers are accepted.

Label jug contents with 'motor oil' or 'antifreeze.'

Place jugs on a piece of cardboard next to your recycle cart to prevent spills.

Household Batteries

Tape the ends and put household batteries in a sealed, clear plastic bag.

Place on top of your closed recycle cart lid.

YES: Alkaline AA, AAA, C, D, button cell, 9 volt, and other similar sized batteries.

NO: Lithium-ion batteries (i.e., batteries from cell phones, laptops, tablets, power tools).

** If you live in an apartment or condo, contact your property manager for disposal instructions or visit the A-Z Directory at WCNorthwest.com to find free drop-off locations. Curbside set outs are not available for businesses.*

Drop-off

HHW (Household Hazardous Waste)



Bring to a transfer station during designated HHW hours for proper disposal.

To identify HHW, look for words on the product label such as *caution, warning, danger, explosive, flammable, toxic, or poison.* HHW should NEVER be thrown in the garbage or poured down the drain because it can threaten public and environmental health.

Batteries

Batteries can be recycled for **free** at transfer stations and numerous local drop-off locations.

WCNorthwest.com/go/Batteries-2026

Medication

MedTakeBackWashington.org

Sharps

Place sharps into an approved sharps container or a sturdy plastic container with a screw top lid and drop off for **free** at transfer stations.

E-Waste

ECycleWA.org

Paint

Recycle paint for **free** by dropping off at local stores.

PaintCare.org

Renovation Waste

Home renovation waste can be disposed of at transfer stations or with a drop box. ANY material suspected of including asbestos must be tested before hauling.

WCNorthwest.com/go/Asbestos-2026

Find drop-off locations on RecyclingA-Z.com or with the RecycleRight app!

Transfer Stations

Drop off garbage, recycling, yard debris, HHW, and more!
Charges may apply. **Secure your load before you haul!**

West Vancouver Materials Recovery Center
6601 NW Old Lower River Rd
Mon - Fri 6 AM to 6 PM
Sat 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: Fri & Sat 8 AM to 4 PM

Central Transfer & Recycling Center
11034 NE 117th Ave
Mon - Fri 6 AM to 6 PM
Sat & Sun 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: Fri - Sun 8 AM to 4 PM

Washougal Transfer Station
4020 S Grant St
Wed & Fri 7 AM to 5 PM
Sat 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: First & third Saturdays 8 AM to 4 PM

View live stream of real-time lines!

WCNorthwest.com/go/Transfer-Stations-2026

Service Guidelines

Extras

Not enough space in your cart?

Garbage Extras

Put in a 32-gallon can or in a securely fastened garbage bag. Charges apply.

Recycling Extras

Put in a cardboard box or paper bag. No charge.

NO: Extra recycling in plastic bags or set out in the rain.

Yard Debris and Organics Extras

Put in 32-gallon can, paper Kraft bag, or tied bundle. Charges apply.

NO: Yard debris in plastic bags or food waste extras.

Visit **WCNorthwest.com/Extras** to learn more about disposing extra waste at the curb.

Bulky Item Pickup at Home

Schedule a pickup for items too large for your garbage cart.* Avoid a trip to the transfer station; it could save time and money!

Contact us by phone or email to schedule. Visit **WCNorthwest.com/Residential-Rates** to find rates.

**If you live in an apartment or condo, please contact your property manager for instructions.*

Live within City of Vancouver limits? Customers can schedule one **FREE** pickup annually for:

- 1 appliance: refrigerator, freezer, stove, washer, dryer, etc.
- Up to 5 bulky items: mattress, sofa, chair, table, dresser, block foam, or other unusable items too large to fit in your garbage cart.

Holiday Service

There is no service on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Service days on or immediately after these holidays may be impacted.

If you receive your bill from the City of Camas, check **CityOfCamas.us/GarbageService** for service changes.

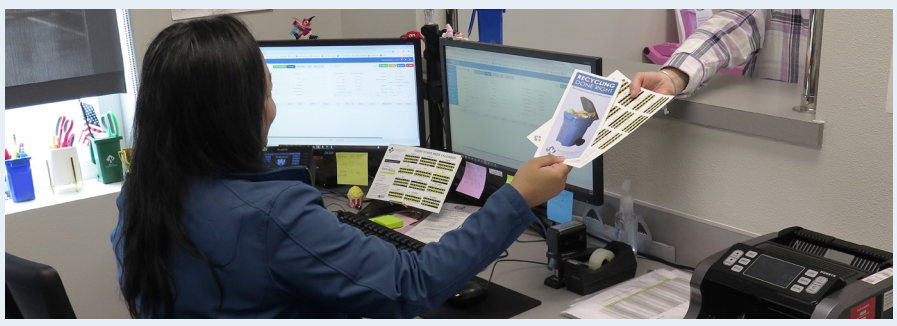
Postponed or Canceled Service

If service is canceled, we will reschedule or pick up a double load on your next service day.

- Make sure that we have your current phone number. Contact Waste Connections customer service to update.
- Download the RecycleRight app or visit **WCNorthwest.com** to sign up for service alerts.

***Please note:** Our automated phone message cannot reach you if your phone number is on the National Do Not Call Registry.*

If you are unable to bring your carts to your curb, you may qualify for assistive services. Visit **WCNorthwest.com/Assistive-Collection-Services** to learn more.



Contact Information

Questions, comments, or concerns?
Contact Waste Connections to discuss garbage, recycling, organics, yard debris, and any service issues.

WCNorthwest.com

360-892-5370

CustomerService2010@wcnx.org

Check out the live chat feature on our website to message a real Waste Connections representative!

Follow us at @WasteConnectionsWA on Facebook and Instagram.

Waste Sort Game

Draw a line between these items and the cart they belong in!



Plastic Clamshells



Empty Aerosol Cans



Paper Towels



Empty Cartons



Plastic Bags



Fridge or Freezer Boxes



To-Go Cups



Plastic Shipping Bags

Garbage Cart





Recycle Cart

Find game hints, answers, and free printer-friendly coloring pages at **WCNorthwest.com/go/Games-2026**

Learn More About Solid Waste in Clark County!

Solid waste educators from Waste Connections, Clark County, and City of Vancouver are dedicated to teaching our community how we can recycle right! Email one of our teams to learn more.

Waste Connections of Washington Outreach and Education Team

RecycleHelp@WasteConnections.com

Clark County Solid Waste and Recycling

SolidWaste@clark.wa.gov

City of Vancouver Solid Waste and Recycling

SolidWaste@CityOfVancouver.us



Tell us if your driver is a Hauling Hero!

Give Waste Connections a call at 360-892-5370 or email us at CustomerService2010@wcnx.org to tell us how your driver goes above and beyond so we can celebrate them!



Did you get an "Oops" tag on your cart?



Part of Waste Connections' outreach and education strategy includes cart tagging. Recycling Advocates may lift the lid on your recycle cart before it is serviced and leave a tag if they see contamination. Visit **WCNorthwest.com/go/Oops-2026** to learn more.

Fall leaves can block stormwater drains and cause localized flooding.

Please help: **Never rake or blow leaves in the street.** Prevent water from pooling in storm drains by placing fallen leaves in your backyard compost, yard debris, or organics cart.

No cart? No problem! Clip this coupon for FREE leaf disposal at one of the five convenient Clark County locations.

Free Leaf Disposal Coupon

*Prevent street flooding—**never** blow or place leaves in the street.*

CITY OF Vancouver WASHINGTON

CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Vancouver and Clark County residents only — **Valid October 1 – December 31, 2026**

Present this coupon at a participating drop-off location for up to 5 cubic yards of **leaves only**. No bags, trimmings, yard debris or mixed loads accepted.

Complete the following information:

Name: _____

Street address: _____ ZIP: _____

City of Vancouver residents: Funding for this program is provided through your garbage rates.
Clark County residents: Funding for this program is provided through Clark County Public Works.

Drop-off locations:

Loads must be covered and secured. Call ahead to verify operating hours.

City Bark
2419 N.E. Andresen Rd., Vancouver, WA
360-253-8461

H&H Wood Recyclers
8401 N.E. 117th Ave., Vancouver, WA
360-892-2805

McFarlane's Bark
8806 N.E. 117th Ave., Vancouver, WA
360-892-6125

Triangle Resources
612 S.E. Union Street, Camas, WA
360-834-7253

West Van Materials Recovery Center
6601 N.W. Old Lower River Road, Vancouver, WA | 360-737-1727

Stay Connected

Download the RecycleRight App!

- View collection schedule.
- Sign up for reminders and service alerts.
- Look up donation, recycling, and disposal options with the A-Z Directory.

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play



Sign up for FREE classes with RecycleU

Learn about our recycling system and food waste disposal options.

WCNorthwest.com/go/RecyU-2026

Become a Composter Recycler

Interested in learning about composting, waste reduction, and sustainable living? Clark County offers FREE public volunteer training and workshops to help get you started!

WCNorthwest.com/go/CR-2026

Message a local Waste Connections Representative online

To begin a live chat, visit **WCNorthwest.com**, click on the smiling green cart in the bottom right of the window, and select "Talk to an Agent" for help.



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WCNorthwest.com

Your 2026-2027 guide to recycling right in Clark County

Inside:

- **FREE** 2026 leaf coupon
- Quick reference guides
- Games and activities

Hay una versión en español disponible.
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Доступна версия на русском языке.
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Có sẵn phiên bản tiếng Việt.
另有简体中文版本可供使用。

WCNorthwest.com/go/Languages-2026