

# Donate, Recycle, Dispose

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Before you throw a questionable item in your curbside trash, please refer to this guide for suggestions.

If your item is not listed, call the DPW Office at 617-993-2690 for assistance.

This guide contains ideas to provide assistance to residents that would like to reuse, recycle or safely dispose of items. The Town does not recommend or endorse any company and listed are links to other websites that are independent of the Town. Residents should be aware that some services might be charged a fee.

**Questions about the list? Outdated listing? New ideas? Please let us know. Thanks for recycling!**

## Appliances- Working

**Goodwill-Small Appliances** <http://www.goodwillmass.org/donations/what-to-donate.html>

**Habitat Restore** <http://habitatbostonrestore.org/donate.html>

**Household Goods** <http://householdgoods.org/donate/donate-goods/pickup>

**The Salvation Army** <http://satruck.org/donate-goods>

## Appliances- Non-working

**Call Highway Division office by noon**, on Wednesday to schedule a pick-up for the next available Thursday. CRT's are collected on Thursdays only. Purchase sticker and affix to appliance prior to placing at curb by 7:00am on the scheduled day.

Stickers will cost \$20.00 per appliance.

**Stickers are available for purchase at the following locations:**

**Highway Division Office**, located at 19 Moore Street. (cash or check accepted)

**Town Clerk's Office**, located at the Belmont Town Hall, Concord Avenue (cash or check accepted)

**Shaws Supermarket**, located at 535 Trapelo Road, Waverley Square (cash, check or credit card accepted)

**Winters Hardware**, located at 84 Trapelo Road, Cushing Square (cash or check accepted)

**Hillside Garden Supply**, located at 280 Blanchard Road (cash, check or credit card accepted)

## Aerosol Cans

Completely empty may be recycled.

Not empty, see Household Hazardous Waste.

## Asbestos

You must use a licensed asbestos removal contractor to dispose of asbestos. Check the yellow pages for licensed contractors.

## Batteries

All alkaline batteries manufactured after 1994 may be thrown out in household trash.

**DPW Office (Batteries must fit in 8" x 5" bag)** 19 Moore St., from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

Home Depot

## **Bicycles**

**Bikes not Bombs** <https://bikesnotbombs.org/donate-bikes>

## **Books**

**Belmont Public Library** Books must be in good condition (Fiction, Non-fiction and Children's Books). We do accept foreign language books. Books may be paperback or hard cover. We also accept CDs and DVDs.

There are a comprehensive instructions posted on the back door at the library.

**More Than Words, Temple Beth El, Blanchard Road entrance**

**Big Hearted Books, High School main parking lot**

**DPW Recycle Days**, <http://www.belmont-ma.gov/dpw-highway-division/pages/recycle-events>

## **Building Materials**

Homeowners and contractors can donate surplus and reusable building materials.

**Habitat for Humanity** <http://habitatbostonrestore.org/donate.html>

**Boston Building Resource** [http://www.bostonbuildingresources.com/index.php/donate/building\\_materials](http://www.bostonbuildingresources.com/index.php/donate/building_materials)

**Mass DEP Options** <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/recycle/reduce/managing-construction-demolition-wastes.html>

## **Cabinets**

See Building Materials or Construction and Demolition

## **Carpet**

Accepted with household trash, **but** must be cut in 4 foot lengths rolled up and taped or tied closed weighing less than 50 pounds per roll and no more than 5 rolls per week.

## **Computers**

See CRT's

## **Construction and Demolition (C and D)**

Not accepted with household trash. Insulation, brick, drywall/plaster soil, gravel, asphalt, shingles and other similar materials are considered construction debris. Residents should properly dispose of this waste by having the contractor be responsible for removing it. Contact a local disposal or salvage company.

**Got Junk**, [www.1800gotjunk.com](http://www.1800gotjunk.com)

**Bagster**, [www.thebagster.com](http://www.thebagster.com)

**Woodwaste**, <http://woodwasteofboston.com/>

## **CRT's**

All televisions, computer monitors, laptops, and some copiers.

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### **Recycling Sticker Information**

Stickers will cost \$15.00 per CRT

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## **Electronics**

Cell and smart phones, computers and monitors, televisions, DVD and MP3 players, pagers, PDAs and other devices. Please erase personal information from items before recycling. Some fees may apply, call ahead.

**Staples**, (no TV's) 186 Alewife Brook Pkwy, Cambridge, MA / 11 Mt Auburn St, Watertown, MA 02472

**Best Buy**, (no TV's over 32") 550 Arsenal St, Watertown, MA / 100 Cambridgeside Pl, Cambridge, MA

### **Other Mass DEP Options**

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/recycle/reduce/electronics-recycling.html#DonationReuseOptions>

**DPW Recycle Days**, <http://www.belmont-ma.gov/dpw-highway-division/pages/recycle-events>

## **Fire Extinguishers**

**Keane Fire & Safety Equipment Company**, 1500 Main Street/ Waltham, MA M-F, 7:00 AM- 3:00 PM

**Fire Equipment, Inc.**, 20 Hall St. Medford, MA M-F, 8:00 AM- 4:30 PM

## **Fluorescent Bulbs**

**Hillside Gardens**, 280 Blanchard Rd., from 8 am to 6 pm, Monday through Saturday

**Electric Light Department**, 40 Prince St., 7:30 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday

**Department of Public Works (DPW) Main Office**, 19 Moore St., from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

[http://belmontma.vt-s.net/sites/belmontma/files/file/file/fluorescent\\_bulb\\_recycling.pdf](http://belmontma.vt-s.net/sites/belmontma/files/file/file/fluorescent_bulb_recycling.pdf)

## Hangers

Local dry cleaners

## Household Hazardous Waste

Examples of common household hazardous waste are cleaners, photography chemicals, oil paints, fuels, lawn and garden materials. Proof of residency required. Save the Town money and bring at least half a carload. Ask your neighbors if they need to get rid of any HHW to make the most of your visit.

<http://www.lexingtonma.gov/public-health/pages/hazardous-waste-toxic-use-reduction>

## Household Goods

**Big Sister Big Brother**, <http://www.bbbsfoundation.org/Acceptable-Donation-Items>

**Vietnam Veterans of America**, <http://www.clothingdonations.org/donate-old-clothes-to-charity/>

**Epilepsy Foundation**, <http://www.epilepsy.com/make-difference/ways-give/donate-clothing-and-household-goods/scheduling-pickup>

**The Wish Project**, <http://thewishproject.org/goods.html>

**Mass Coalition for the Homeless**, <http://mahomeless.org/furniture-bank>

**Furnishing Hope**, <http://furnishinghope.org/mission/faq>

## Mattresses

In good condition (no rips, stains or bed bugs).

**Salvation Army**, for free pickup use their online pickup form or call 1-800-SA-TRUCK.

**MA Coalition for the Homeless**, for free pickup email [albenny@mahomeless.org](mailto:albenny@mahomeless.org) or call (781) 595-7570 X13.

**Aid to Incarcerated Mothers**, for free pickup call (617) 536-0058.

**The Wish Project**, <http://thewishproject.org/goods.html>

Mattresses and box springs are considered a bulky item and can be placed by household trash.

## Mercury Items

Mercury containing thermostats and thermometers and button batteries drop off at:

**Health Dept.**, 19 Moore St. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor 617-993-2720

**DPW Office**, 19 Moore St. 1<sup>st</sup> floor 617-993-2680

For more info: <http://www.keepmercuryfromrising.org/home.php>

## **Paint**

**Latex** (clean up with soap and water) can be put with household trash, **but** must be dried out with drying agent or kitty litter. Place next to trash with lid off.

**Oil** (clean up with mineral spirits, combustible) see Household Hazardous Waste

## **Plastic Bags**

Please do not recycle curbside. Do not place recyclables in plastic bags. These can be recycled at supermarkets and some retail stores. [http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/s02/s02\\_01\\_main.html](http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/s02/s02_01_main.html)

## **Propane Tanks**

**DPW Recycle Days**, <http://www.belmont-ma.gov/dpw-highway-division/pages/recycle-events>  
Propane tanks, empty, up to 20 lbs.

**HHW Days**, see household hazardous waste

## **Sharps**

Sharps Containers may be purchased at the Health Department during business hours, 2nd floor of the Homer Municipal Building, 19 Moore St, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM. Cost, \$10.00 which includes disposal.

## **Sinks**

Building Materials or Construction and Demolition

## **Styrofoam block packaging, peanuts, cups and trays**

These items can not be recycled curbside. Put out with household trash.

**Conigliaro Industries** takes Styrofoam, <http://www.conigliaro.com/faqs.cfm>

**UPS Store**, 464 Common St, takes packing peanuts

**DPW Recycle Days**, <http://www.belmont-ma.gov/dpw-highway-division/pages/recycle-events>

## **Textiles**

Clothing, footwear, caps, linen, towels and stuff animals can be donated, even if the items are stained or torn, as long as they are clean.

[http://www.smartasn.org/consumers/SMARTList\\_textiles\\_that\\_can\\_be\\_recycled.pdf](http://www.smartasn.org/consumers/SMARTList_textiles_that_can_be_recycled.pdf)

**Planet Aid Boxes**, located at corner of Lexington and Thayer or Mill and Concord

**St.Vincent's** located behind St. Joseph's via Orchard St.

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## Toilets

Building Materials or Construction and Demolition

## TV's

See CRT's

## Waste Oil

Residential waste oil (not mixed with anything else) may be brought to:  
Belmont Highway Yard, C Street, weekdays 7 am - 11:30 am and 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm

**Limit:** 5 gallon/resident

## Wood

Can be placed with household trash, **but** must be cut 3 feet in length, no larger than 6 inches in diameter and needs to be tied into bundles no larger than 2 feet. **Limit:** 2 bundles/week

## Yard Waste

**Curbside Pickup:** Material should be put out by 7:00 am on collection days. Yard Waste is collected every other week on your recycle day from April until October and every week from end of October until beginning of December.

Place in 30 gallon biodegradable paper bags or barrels with stickers **no larger than 32 gallons or 50 pounds in weight.**

**Drop-off:** Belmont residents can drop off leaves for composting from end of October until beginning of December (weather permitting) and excluding holidays at the Transfer Station located at 1130 Concord Avenue.

### **Hours:**

Monday - Friday 7:30 am - 11:30 am and 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Saturday 8:00 am - 11:30 am and 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm