

The Basics: Collecting e-waste for Oregon E-Cycles

What is Oregon E-Cycles?

A program created by Oregon's electronics recycling law and financed by electronics manufacturers that provides free recycling of computers (desktops, laptops and tablets), monitors, TVs, keyboards, mice, and printers to households, small businesses and nonprofits, and anyone with seven or fewer items to recycle at a time*. The program is overseen by the Oregon DEQ.

**Households and small businesses may recycle more than seven covered electronic devices (CEDs) at a time*

What is the Oregon State Contractor Program (SCP)?

The SCP contracts with collectors, transporters, and electronics recyclers to ensure the free recycling of CEDs is convenient, cost-effective, and meets all relevant rules and regulations. The SCP conducts regular site visits and desk audits. *The SCP is managed by the National Center for Electronics Recycling (NCER) and paid for by manufacturer fees.*

What are CEDs?

CEDs:

- Computers: Desktop, laptop, tablet
- Monitors (any type, any size)
- Televisions (any type, any size)
- Printers (desktop only)
- Mice and keyboards

Not CEDs:

- Fax machines and scanners
- Cell phones
- Microwaves
- Stereos
- Appliances
- Video game consoles
- VCRs and DVD players

COLLECTING CEDs

DO:

- Staff the site to meet customer needs and protect against theft
- Post signage and inform the public about the landfill ban
- Accept all categories and brands of CEDs free of charge
- Assist customers with moving their CEDs to the designated area
- Handle and store CEDs to minimize breakage
- Keep storage areas orderly, and clean up broken CEDs
- Help customers properly dispose of non-CEDs

DO NOT:

- Accept more than 7 CEDs from non-covered entities
- Dismantle CEDs
- Resell CEDs or components
- Remove power cords from CEDs
- Leave CEDs outdoors for prolonged periods

SORTING & STORING CEDs

- Separate CEDs into the 5 categories shown below
- If possible, further separate TVs and monitors by CRT vs flat screen)
- Do not put non-CEDs (e.g., microwaves) on pallets or in Gaylord boxes
- Label each pallet or gaylord with the CED type and weight
- Store CEDs out of the weather (e.g., shipping containers, roll-offs with lids, or warehouses).



SHIPPING CEDs

1. Contact Carson Maxted (cmaxted@electronicsrecycling.org, 503-501-8471) or make a request online.
2. Contact the recycler to schedule pickup and order shipping supplies (pallets, gaylords, shrink wrap).
3. Be ready to ship the CEDs at the scheduled time, and provide assistance to the driver when needed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Download the 2021 Collector Handbook (<https://www.electronicsrecycling.org/oregon/public/contentpage.aspx?pageid=49>)

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