



# HOW DO I GET RID OF IT?

## The A to Z Guide for Recycling & Disposal in Pinellas County

<http://www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/getridofit>

Questions? Call Solid Waste at 464-7500.

All phone numbers are area code 727, unless otherwise indicated.

### Batteries – vehicle

lead acid batteries found in vehicles including cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, scooters, wheelchairs, golf carts, riding lawn mowers, and children’s riding toys



**These are hazardous waste. Do NOT dispose with regular trash! Under Florida law, it is illegal to dispose lead acid batteries in the trash.**

- Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC<sub>3</sub> facility](#) for recycling (free for residents). Place the battery in a plastic-lined box to protect your vehicle.
- Recycle** at an automotive parts retailer for no charge (such as Sears, Wal-Mart, Autozone, NAPA, Advance Auto Parts, Bumper to Bumper, CarQuest, etc.):
  - You actually save \$5-\$12 by turning in your old battery when you buy a new one. This is a state “core charge” to discourage people from trashing vehicle batteries. You pay this fee only if you don’t turn in your old battery.
  - Most auto parts retailers accept an old vehicle battery for no charge even if you aren’t buying a new one.
- Recycle** at a battery store. The following accept lead acid vehicle batteries (no charge).

| Name                   | Address  | City           | Phone    | Cost                            |
|------------------------|--|----------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Batteries Plus         | 28540 US Hwy. 19 N.  | Clearwater     | 726-0228 | Free                            |
| Batteries Plus         | 6480 Park Blvd. N.   | Pinellas Park  | 545-9298 | Free                            |
| Battery Connection     | 201 - 34 <sup>th</sup> St. N.  | St. Petersburg | 322-9331 | Free                            |
| County Sanitation      | 5601 Haines Rd. N.   | St. Petersburg | 522-5794 | Free, plus \$.25 each cash back |
| D & D Battery          | 12735 Starkey Rd.  | Largo          | 535-1044 | Free                            |
| Electro Battery        | 3138 - 23 <sup>rd</sup> Ave. N.  | St. Petersburg | 323-4848 | Free, plus \$1 each cash back   |
| Interstate Batteries   | 11950 - 66 <sup>th</sup> St. N.  | Largo          | 538-9334 | Free                            |
| Johnson Battery        | 9470 Ulmerton Rd.  | Largo          | 581-9087 | Free, plus \$1 each cash back   |
| LJC Battery            | 12199 - 44 <sup>th</sup> St. N.  | St. Petersburg | 287-2204 | Free (call first)               |
| Mobile Batteries       | Pick-up only   |                | 321-5025 | Free                            |
| Safe Start Batteries   | 12045 - 34 <sup>th</sup> St. N.<br>(between 118 <sup>th</sup> Ave. and Ulmerton) | Clearwater     | 572-7731 | Free                            |
| St. Pete Battery World | 2705 - 54 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N.  | St. Petersburg | 526-2200 | Free                            |

- Drop off** at [eCycling](#), 7300 Bryan Dairy Rd., Suite 475, Largo, M-F 8am-5pm for free recycling (toll-free 866-771-9785). Businesses with electronic equipment to donate (including batteries, copiers, fax, printers, telephones, etc.) may request **free pick-up** at any business within Pinellas County (not for private homes).