

# Motor Oil Recycling



**Attention  
do-it-yourselfers,  
recycle your motor oil!**

## Why recycle motor oil?

Motor oil doesn't wear out. It just gets dirty as it circulates through a car engine.



**The oil can be refined and reused.** Recycling used motor oil helps protect our environment from pollution and decreases our dependence on foreign oil supplies. You can recycle used motor oil—not just from a car or truck—but also from a boat, motorcycle, recreational vehicle, or lawn mower.

## How do I recycle used oil?

**Collect used motor oil in a secure container and drop it off** (for free) at an [EnviroPartner business](#). There is a partial listing at right. Find a complete listing on our Web site, including store addresses and hours.

## What is the fee for recycling my motor oil?

Zero. **There is no charge to drop off your used oil** at any of the businesses listed on our Web site.

This is a community service provided to help protect the environment.

## How is used oil recycled?

The used oil is vacuumed from the collection tank, and delivered to a processor for removal of dirt and other contaminants. The oil is re-refined into new motor oil, or utilized as a fuel for industrial burners or power plants. **Refining used oil takes 50% less energy** than refining crude oil. If all of the used oil from American do-it-yourself oil changers were recycled, it would produce enough motor oil to keep 50 million cars a year running.

## Can I recycle used oil filters?

Yes. **Many of our EnviroPartners also accept used oil filters.** Check our Web site (see below) for a comprehensive listing.



## What container do I use?

Please pour used oil into a clean, empty plastic container with a lid. **Never mix used oil** with other automotive fluids (such as anti-freeze) or water since that can prevent recycling.



Store your motor oil in a clean plastic container with a lid, such as a milk jug.

## Is it okay to pour used oil in the trash can?

No! **Motor oil is hazardous waste.** Dumping motor oil in the garbage, on the ground, or down a storm drain is illegal. Improper disposal of used motor oil from just a single oil change can pollute one million gallons of fresh water!



## Where to Recycle Used Motor Oil

There are more than 60 locations in Pinellas County to drop off your motor oil for recycling. You can drop off used motor oil at a local mobile collection (see page 19), or at an EnviroPartner business. **For a complete listing**, visit: [pinellascounty.org/utilities/oilsites.htm](http://pinellascounty.org/utilities/oilsites.htm)

The following is a PARTIAL LIST of EnviroPartner businesses that accept used motor oil at no charge:

- **Advance Auto Parts** (19 locations)
- **Autozone** (8 locations)
- **Firestone Complete Auto Care** (4 locations)
- **Jiffy Lube** (3 locations)
- **Tires Plus** (3 locations)
- **Wal-Mart** (3 locations)



Simply pour your motor oil into the tank at your local EnviroPartner.