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Battery Disposal Information


	BATTERY TYPE	PROPER DISPOSAL
	Rechargeable Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd or Ni-Cad), Nickel Metal Oxy-Hydride (Ni-MH), Lithium Ion (Li-Ion), Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)	Rechargeable batteries come in many sizes and forms from AAA to D sizes, cell phone, camera, laptop batteries. Recycling Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take rechargeable batteries to one of the free drop-off locations listed on Call2Recycle.org. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <i>Rechargeable batteries contain heavy metals such as nickel, cadmium, or lithium and cannot be safely placed in municipal landfills.</i>
	Alkaline (Non-rechargeable, Dry Cell)	Recycling Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take alkaline batteries to one of the free drop-off locations listed on Call2Recycle.org. Drop off at one of 7 household battery recycling locations in Grand Traverse County (for residents only). Find locations on the Battery Recycling page at recyclesmart.info. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <i>While not the ideal option, used alkaline (non-rechargeable) batteries may be placed in trash to be landfilled. Alkaline batteries no longer contain toxic materials such as mercury as mercury was banned by federal law in 1996.</i>
	Lead-Acid Batteries (Automotive, Marine, Deep Cycle, etc.)	Recycling Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retailers are required to accept a used lead-acid battery with the purchase of a new one. Battery core charges apply. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <i>Lead-acid batteries contain toxic substances such as lead and sulfuric acid which cannot be safely placed in municipal landfills. Once recycled, much of the content is re-used in new batteries.</i>
	Lithium Single Use & Button Cell Batteries (Labeled Lithium or Li) *Not to be confused with rechargeable Lithium-Ion (Li-Ion)	Recycling Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take lithium single use and button cell batteries to one of the free drop-off locations listed on Call2Recycle.org. Drop off at one of 7 household battery recycling locations in Grand Traverse County (for residents only). Find locations on the Battery Recycling page at recyclesmart.info. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <i>These batteries contain small amounts of toxic heavy metals and should be recycled, when it is possible.</i>

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Light Bulb Disposal Information

	BULB TYPE	PROPER DISPOSAL
	Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFL)	<p>CFLs contain mercury and should be disposed/recycled properly.</p> <p>Recycling Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take to Ace Hardware, Batteries Plus Bulbs, Home Depot or Lowes. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <p><i>Recycling allows the reuse of the glass, metals and other materials that make up fluorescent lights. Virtually all components of a fluorescent bulb can be recycled.</i></p>
	Fluorescent Tubes	<p>Fluorescent tubes contain mercury and should be disposed/recycled properly.</p> <p>Recycling Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepted for a fee at Ace Hardware stores. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event. <p><i>Recycling CFLs and other fluorescent bulbs allows the reuse of the glass, metals and other materials that make up fluorescent lights. Virtually all components of a fluorescent bulb can be recycled.</i></p>
	Halogen	<p>Halogen bulbs can be disposed with regular household trash.</p> <p><i>A halogen light bulb uses a tungsten filament just like an incandescent light bulb but also contains halogen gas which an incandescent bulb does not.</i></p>
	High Intensity Discharge (HID) Mercury Vapor, Metal Halide, High Pressure Sodium	<p>High Intensity Discharge bulbs contain mercury and should be disposed/recycled properly.</p> <p>Recycling Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take to Batteries Plus Bulbs. Bring to a RecycleSmart Household Hazardous Waste event.
	Incandescent	<p>Can be disposed with regular household garbage.</p>
	LED	<p>Can be disposed with regular household garbage.</p> <p><i>LEDs DO NOT contain dangerous chemicals.</i></p>

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