

*City of Middleton*

# **TRASH & RECYCLING GUIDE**



*Together We Can Make a Difference!*

The City of Middleton developed this Guide to encourage reuse and recycling, reduce our community's use of landfills, and increase conservation of resources.

This Guide provides information on:

- ◆ What can and cannot be thrown out in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).
- ◆ What items are prohibited from landfills.
- ◆ What can be placed in your **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*).
- ◆ What items are accepted for recycling at the Middleton Recycling Center.
- ◆ Recycling options for a wide variety of items that cannot be put in your recycling cart but don't need to end up in a landfill.
- ◆ Organizations that may be able to reuse or resell items you no longer want.

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This Guide should not be construed as a recommendation or endorsement of any organization or business by the City of Middleton. Information on businesses and non-profit organizations that take items for resale or recycling may change at any time without notice.

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## HOW TO USE YOUR CARTS

Since January 2, 2010 Pellitteri Waste Systems is the City of Middleton's trash and recycling provider.

Pellitteri Waste Systems uses automated trucks that have "arms." These arms reach out, pick up the cart, and dump the trash and recycling into the bin on the front of the truck.

For the automated collection system to work properly, the carts must be correctly placed at the curb. See the instructions for cart placement on page 4.



The **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*) is for trash collection. The **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*) is for recyclables collection.

If you wish to exchange your cart for one of a different size, there is a \$15 pickup/delivery charge. There is no charge if you take your cart to Pellitteri Waste Systems, 7035 Raywood Road, Madison, WI 53713. Call 608-257-4285 for hours of operation.

Disposal of appliances, furniture, tires, and other large items that do not fit in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*) can be arranged by calling Pellitteri at 608-257-4285. There is a fee for this service. Please see the "What If It's Too Big to Fit in My Cart?" section on page 41.

## PICKUP DATES

- ◆ Trash (**Brown Trash Cart**) is picked up every week.
- ◆ Recyclables (**Blue Recycling Cart**) are picked up every week.
- ◆ For a current trash and recycling service schedule in Middleton, please visit Pellitteri's website: <https://www.pellitteri.com/pages/city-of-middleton>
- ◆ For weeks with a holiday, your trash and recyclables will be picked up on the day after your regularly scheduled pickup day.
- ◆ Memorial Day and Labor Day always fall on a Monday. For those weeks, trash and recycling will be shifted one day later for ALL pickup days. Monday pickup will be on Tuesday, Tuesday pickup on Wednesday, etc.

Mondays				Recycling and Refuse Pick-up.			
Your area will be picked up on non-holiday Mondays. Refuse and recycling will be collected weekly.				For scheduling the pick-up of items too large to fit into your cart, please call Pellitteri Waste Systems at 257-4285, or visit <a href="http://www.pellitteri.com">www.pellitteri.com</a> to contact us via email.			
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# HOW TO USE YOUR CARTS

## TRASH

- ◆ Place your trash in bags so it won't stick to the inside of the cart.
- ◆ Break down large items so they don't lodge themselves inside the cart or stick out of the **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).
- ◆ If **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*) is full, additional garbage bags may be placed next to the cart, but only in 32-gallon bags that weigh less than 50 pounds, and picked up for an additional \$4.40 each. *Pellitteri must be contacted beforehand to arrange for pickup of additional trash.*
- ◆ CAUTION! Do not place any HOT ASHES in the carts – you will start a fire!
- ◆ It is illegal to put yard waste in the trash [City Ordinance §6.04 (7)(L)]. See pages 38-39 for disposal options.
- ◆ **DO NOT PUT THE FOLLOWING HAZARDOUS WASTES IN THE TRASH!**

Liquid paint	Gases	Poisons	Corrosives
Pesticides	Herbicides	Chemicals, including pool chemicals	Solvents

These items require special handling and disposal and should be taken to the Dane County Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Collection site, located at 7102 US Hwy 12 in Madison, across from the Yahara Hills Golf Course at the Dane County Landfill. The facility is open from 7:00 am to 2:45 pm on Tuesday – Friday, and from 8:00 am to 10:45 am on Saturdays. Closed Sundays and Holidays. The Clean Sweep Program provides an opportunity for residents of Dane County to safely dispose of household hazardous materials free of charge. High quality, usable products brought to Clean Sweep are offered free of charge at Clean Sweep's Product Exchange. For further information see page 43, call 608-838-3212, or visit [www.danecountycleansweep.com](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com).

- ◆ **ADDITIONAL HAZARDOUS WASTES THAT CANNOT BE PUT IN THE TRASH!**  
Biological hazards, including needles: See "Sharps" on page 35.  
Computers, TVs and other electronic equipment: See "Electronics" on pages 22-24.  
Explosives: See "Explosives" on page 24.

## RECYCLABLES

- ◆ Recyclables that can go in your **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*) include paper and cardboard, and glass, plastic, and metal containers. See pages 12-14 for detailed lists of acceptable and unacceptable items.
- ◆ Put all your recyclables in the **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*). **No need to sort!**
- ◆ Flatten cardboard boxes and other large items to make room in your **Blue Recycling Cart**.
- ◆ Additional recyclables that don't fit in the **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*) may be put in clear (not white) plastic bags and placed next to your recycling Cart. Bags that are not clear will not be collected.
- ◆ Your **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*) will not be emptied if it contains trash, yard waste, or other prohibited items.

## HOW TO USE YOUR CARTS

- ◆ Keep your pickup day calendar in a convenient location for reference (try taping it to the inside of a kitchen cabinet door).
- ◆ See page 12 for detailed information on preparation of recyclables.

### CART PLACEMENT

- ◆ **Carts must be out for pickup by 6:00 am on your collection day.**
- ◆ Carts may be set out up to 12 hours prior to pickup and must be removed from the curb within 12 hours of collection.
- ◆ Carts must be placed no more than two feet from the street with the arrow on the lid pointing towards the street.
- ◆ Place the carts at least 4 feet apart and 4 feet away from obstructions like trees, mailboxes, and cars.
- ◆ Recommended cart locations are at the end of the driveway or on the grass next to the driveway.
- ◆ Carts will not be emptied if they are improperly placed.
- ◆ In the winter you may need to shovel out areas for your carts just like you do for mail delivery. Be sure the areas are away from obstructions like mailboxes, trees, and cars.
- ◆ Do not put your carts on top of a snow bank.
- ◆ All carts are the property of Pellitteri Waste Systems. Please do not take the carts or this Guide with you if you move.
- ◆ You are responsible for any damages to the carts, other than normal wear and tear.



# SUSTAINABLE LIVING IDEAS

## THE THREE R's: REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

### REDUCE

- ◆ Purchase items in refillable containers and buy in bulk whenever possible. Buy concentrated products such as drink mixes, juices and cleaners.
- ◆ Choose products that are packaged in recyclable materials, are minimally packaged, or not packaged at all.
- ◆ Bring a cloth bag or a backpack when you go shopping.
- ◆ Avoid single-use products such as disposable razors, pens, lighters, foam/paper cups and plates, plastic utensils, or non-rechargeable batteries.
- ◆ When hosting a party, use durable, reusable items such as cloth napkins and rigid metal or plastic trays/plates instead of paper napkins and plates.
- ◆ Rent items that you rarely use, such as power tools and motorized yard equipment. You can also rent plates and flatware for a large event. Or support a local thrift store and purchase plates, cups and flatware for about the same price as the equivalent disposable products.
- ◆ Conserve paper by making double-sided copies, sharing information via email and avoiding unnecessary printouts.
- ◆ Eliminate unwanted mail. For information, see the section on "Smart Mail" on page 7.
- ◆ Plant drought-tolerant gardens to reduce grass clippings and use mulch or compost to control weeds and conserve water.
- ◆ When considering the purchase of a product, determine if it is repairable or is designed to be thrown away when it malfunctions.

### REUSE

- ◆ Patronize thrift stores.
- ◆ Shop at garage sales, flea markets, and antiques shops.
- ◆ Reuse food storage containers to store leftovers instead of using foil, plastic bags, or plastic wrap.
- ◆ Reupholster, repair, refinish, or donate furniture.

### RECYCLE

- ◆ Properly prepare your recyclables by following the directions in this guide.
- ◆ Do NOT flatten your containers – cardboard boxes should be broken down, but Pellitteri's sorting system relies on recognizing the shape of plastic, aluminum and steel containers, so they shouldn't be crushed. Check out this video for more information: [Sorting Recycling](#)
- ◆ Compost your yard trimmings and/or food waste (vegetables and fruit only) in a compost bin.
- ◆ **BUY RECYCLED!**





# SUSTAINABLE LIVING IDEAS

## SUSTAINABLE WAYS TO A BEAUTIFUL YARD

Generate less waste, use fewer chemicals, conserve water and create habitat in your own backyard. Working with nature is easier and healthier than working against it. Start with some simple steps such as leaving your clippings on the lawn and composting your plant trimmings at home. Only apply fertilizer if soil tests show it's necessary.

### GENERATE LESS

- ◆ **Avoid overwatering.** Give plants only the water and fertilizer they need; over watering and over fertilizing creates excess plant growth and promotes plant diseases.
- ◆ **Plant smart.** Group plants that have similar watering needs together to prevent over watering and excessive plant growth. Consider the amount of light, temperature range and water provided by the site and select plants accordingly.
- ◆ **Avoid over-planting.** Allow enough room for the plants to grow to their mature size, eliminating the need to continually prune or remove excess plants later.
- ◆ **Minimize lawns.** Lawns require a great deal of labor and energy to achieve a manicured look. Consider removing any lawn (or part of a lawn) that doesn't serve an essential function and replace it with native vegetation.
- ◆ **Use more native plants,** which are naturally adapted to local climates and soils. Use fewer exotic plants.
- ◆ **Do not plant invasive plant species** such as Dame's Rocket, Purple Loosestrife, or Buckthorn.
- ◆ **Replace sheared bushes** with plants that naturally grow to the desired size without shearing. This will generate less waste and save you time in maintenance.

### RECYCLE MORE

- ◆ **Compost at home.** Compost builds healthy soil and reduces the need for commercial fertilizers. Dig compost into your plant beds; use compost as mulch under established plants or top dress your lawn with compost.
- ◆ **Mulch** paths and around trees and shrubs with fallen leaves and prunings. Mulch reduces annual weed growth by as much as 90%, conserves water, prevents soil compaction, moderates soil temperature, and adds organic matter to the soil.
- ◆ **Avoid using pesticides** containing clopyralid or picloram. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found that picloram and clopyralid are especially resistant to decomposition and can contaminate compost or mulch made from grass treated with these products. This can potentially harm vegetation later treated with the mulch or compost.
- ◆ **Buy recycled-content products** for the garden include edging, tree guards, irrigation equipment, benches, plastic lumber, paving and more.
- ◆ **If you hire a landscaper,** ask that they leave the clippings on the lawn, reuse plant trimmings as mulch under shrubs and help you start a home composting pile.

### HOME COMPOSTING IS RECYCLING!

Composting at home is a clean and easy way to recycle fruit, vegetables and yard trimmings into a dark, crumbly soil conditioner that will help your garden thrive. You can build healthy soil, making plants resistant to disease and pests, cut down on chemical pesticides and fertilizers, and reduce the amount of garbage going into landfills.

**Purchase or build a low cost compost bin!** Every spring, Dane County offers residents a chance to purchase a top quality Earth Machine composting bin at a discount price. Home compost bin patterns are also available for a wide variety of low cost units that you can make yourself.



## SUSTAINABLE LIVING IDEAS

### LEAVE YOUR CLIPPINGS ON THE LAWN - GRASSCYCLE!

Grasscycling is the natural recycling of grass by leaving clippings on the lawn when mowing. Grass clippings decompose quickly and release valuable nutrients back into the soil. Grasscycling is easy, saves you money, and it works!

#### Why Grasscycle?

- ◆ It saves you time – no more bagging.
- ◆ It saves you money – less fertilizer is needed.
- ◆ It promotes a healthier lawn – clippings contain valuable nitrogen.
- ◆ It reduces air pollution – fewer loads hauled to an offsite compost location.

#### Grasscycling is as easy as 1-2-3!

- ◆ **Mow regularly and mow dry.** The shorter the clippings, the faster they decompose. Dry clippings are evenly distributed and fall between the living blades of grass disappearing from view.
- ◆ **Maintain your mower.** Keep the deck clean and blades sharp. A clean cut limits water stress, lowers the chance of disease entry and minimizes brown tips.
- ◆ **Leave the clippings on the lawn.** You don't need special equipment to grasscycle – simply remove the bag from your mower. A mulching retrofit kit can be used on your existing mower and includes a mulching blade and block for the discharge chute.

## SMART MAIL

We all receive unsolicited mail. Each time you enter a contest, make a donation, buy something on credit or with a check, order a product by mail or online, or send in a subscription or warranty card, there is a good chance that your name and address will be added to a mailing list. These lists are valuable commodities that are regularly sold or traded.

**Here's what you can do to reduce unwanted mail:** Write, call or email organizations requesting that your name and address be removed from their mailing lists. Be sure to include the original mailing label with your name and address. The label often has special codes that make processing your request easier, and help assure removal of your name.

**Catalog Choice** is a free, online service to assist in unsubscribing from catalog mailing lists; instead of contacting individual companies, simply indicate on the Middleton Catalog Choice website ([www.middleton.catalogchoice.org](http://www.middleton.catalogchoice.org)) the catalogs from which you want to unsubscribe and they will take care of contacting each company.

You can also write or call the mail list brokers listed below and ask to be removed from their databases or to be placed on their "suppress" files:

#### Mail Preference Service

c/o DMAChoice Consumer Inquiries  
2020 K Street NW STE 660  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
212-768-7277 ext. 1888  
[www.DMAchoice.org](http://www.DMAchoice.org)

#### RR Donnelly Marketing

Database Operations  
35 West Wacker Dr  
Chicago, IL 60601  
800-782-4892  
<https://www.rrd.com/>

#### Cox Target Media

1 Valpak Avenue N  
St. Petersburg FL 33716  
727-399-3000  
<https://www.skulocal.com/contact-us/>

#### Opt Out Prescreen: Credit Card Solicitations

*(Removes your name from the lists of major credit card companies)*  
888-567-8688  
<https://www.optoutprescreen.com/>

# THINK GLOBALLY! ACT LOCALLY!

## LOOKING FOR OTHER WAYS TO HELP MAKE MIDDLETON MORE SUSTAINABLE?

The City of Middleton's Sustainability Committee invites you to get involved by bringing your recyclables to the Middleton Recycling Center or by volunteering in our community.

### Middleton Recycling Center

The City of Middleton opened the Middleton Recycling Center on April 25, 2015. The recycling center is open year-round Saturday mornings (excluding major holidays) from 8am to noon and Wednesday evenings (May – September) from 5:30 - 7:00PM. The recycling center is located at 4330 Parmenter Street next to the Municipal Operations Center. **The recycling center is for use by City of Middleton residents only.**

The recycling center offers Middleton residents the opportunity to recycle an extensive list of items for a small fee or for free that are normally not recyclable in Blue Recycling Carts. For more information about the Middleton Recycling Center, please call 608-821-8390 during Saturday morning or Wednesday evening (May – Sept.) business hours or visit the Recycling Center's website at <https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>. See below for a list of accepted items:

### Recyclable Items Accepted at the Middleton Recycling Center

Category	Item(s)	Fee (\$)
<b>Electronics</b> <i>(Broken / Disassembled Not Accepted)</i>	TV's – 27" or smaller TV's – larger than 27" Refrigerators – <u>dorm size only</u> A/C Units – <u>window units only</u> Dehumidifiers Water Coolers CRT Computer Monitors All-In-One Computer Electric Mowers/Snowblowers Microwaves Other Electronics - (Cellphones, computers, printers, radios, etc.)	\$20 \$40 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$5 Free
<b>Smoke Detectors</b>	Ionization type	\$15
<b>Batteries</b>	Rechargeable ONLY <i>(no alkaline, zinc, or button)</i> Lead Acid (large)	\$1/lb \$10
<b>CDs, DVDs, Disks, VHS, Audio &amp; Computer Tapes</b>	Any Kind	\$1/lb
<b>Block Styrofoam (#6 only)</b>	Must be clean, no tape/labels <i>(no #4 Styrofoam, packing peanuts, or foam insulation board)</i>	Free

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<b>Cardboard</b> <i>(Corrugated only)</i>	Large flattened corrugated cardboard boxes that won't fit in blue recycling cart  <i>(No paper or newspaper, cardboard tubes, pizza boxes or cardboard packing materials)</i>	Free
<b>Clean Wood</b> <i>(Untreated / Unpainted / Non-Engineered)</i>	Pallets/Plywood/Non-engineered wood  <i>(No particle board, treated, painted, stained, or engineered wood)</i>	Free
<b>Durable Medical Equipment</b>	Wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, etc.	Free
<b>Eyeglasses</b>	Any Kind	Free
<b>Hard Plastics</b> <i>(Must be 100% plastics, no metal or other materials)</i>	Plastic lawn chairs/furniture, children's play slides, toddler toys, 5-gallon buckets, lawn edging, crates, plant nursery pots/trays, drainage pipes/tubing  <i>(No fuel containers)</i>	Free
<b>Motor Oil &amp; Oil Filters</b> <i>(Located outside the Recycling Center, may drop off at any time)</i>	<i>(No cooking oil or other fluids)</i>	Free
<b>Printer Cartridges / Toner</b>	Any Brand / Color	Free
<b>Scrap Metals</b> <i>(Must be at least 80% metals)</i>	Any Kind <i>(No fuel containers)</i>	Free
<b>Small Gas Engines</b>	Lawnmowers, weed trimmers, snowblowers  <i>(must be drained of gas and oil with spark plug wire disconnected)</i>	Free

## THINK GLOBALLY! ACT LOCALLY!

<p><b>Small Items</b> <i>(Terracycle® Brands)</i></p>	<p>Brita® brand products Colgate® and other brands oral care products</p>	<p>Free</p>
<p><b>WRAP Recycling</b></p>	<p>Plastic retail bags, food storage bags, produce bags, dry cleaning bags, case wrap, bread bags, bread bags, air pillow packaging, paper products wrap</p> <p><i>(No non-transparent bags, salt, frozen food, fertilizer, pesticides, shower curtains, tarps, bubble wrap, or mailers)</i></p>	<p>Free</p>

**Middleton Recycling Center FreeCycle:** The recycling center has an area designated for reusable items that are clean and in good condition. No electronics are allowed in the FreeCycle area. See attendant before dropping off or picking up items. You must sign a waiver if taking an item from FreeCycle.

### Volunteer!

Even if you only have a few minutes to spare, you can make a difference right here in Middleton. For example, you could pick up litter on your block. Have a little more time? Help with restoration efforts in the Pheasant Branch Conservancy by volunteering for a morning with the Friends of Pheasant Branch (<https://pheasantbranch.org/volunteer/>) to pull invasive plants, cut brush or gather seeds. Plant a garden (perhaps at a City of Middleton Community Garden site) and designate a row or two of produce to the local food pantry, Middleton Outreach Ministry, (<https://www.momhelps.org/>).

The City of Middleton's Sustainability Committee can also use your help. Volunteers are needed for various sustainability events to direct traffic, take surveys, and collect items. You can also help one of the committee's task forces to plan a community garden, a sustainability seminar, Clean & Green Middleton, or a new initiative to help make Middleton more sustainable. Sustainability Committee meetings are open to the public and your input is welcome. Please contact the City of Middleton at 608-821-8370 or [khilyard@cityofmiddleton.us](mailto:khilyard@cityofmiddleton.us) for additional information.



## CAN IT BE USED BY SOMEONE ELSE?

**One person's trash is another person's treasure.** Even if you no longer want something that doesn't make it trash. Turn it into someone else's treasure by donating to a local charity or reselling your item.

**Organizations listed below accept donations.** Please contact the organizations or visit their websites to confirm they will accept the items you wish to donate and to determine whether there are any conditions or fees that may apply.

### Reusable items include:

Clothing	Toys	Large appliances	Books
Tools	Linens	Small appliances	
House wares	Shoes	Furniture	

Middleton Outreach Ministry	3502 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-7338 <a href="http://www.momhelps.org">www.momhelps.org</a>
St. Vincent de Paul Society	213 S. Klein Street Waunakee, WI 53597 6301 Odana Rd. Madison, WI 53719	608-278-2920 608-278-2920 ext. 399 <a href="http://www.svdpmadison.org">www.svdpmadison.org</a>
Goodwill Industries (note Middleton location cannot accept furniture)	6280 Century Ave Middleton, WI 53562 4530 Verona Rd. Madison, WI 53711	608-820-1114 608-271-4687 <a href="http://www.goodwillscwi.org">www.goodwillscwi.org</a>
Savers (Easter Seals Wisconsin)	8001 Excelsior Dr STE 200 Madison, WI 53717	608-277-8288 <a href="http://www.wi.easterseals.com">www.wi.easterseals.com</a>
Porchlight Inc. Madison	306 N. Brooks Street Madison, WI 53715	608-257-2534 <a href="http://www.porchlightinc.org">www.porchlightinc.org</a>
Agrace HospiceCare Thrift Stores	118 Junction Road Madison, WI 53717	608-327-7072 <a href="http://www.agrace.org/thriftstore">http://www.agrace.org/thriftstore</a>
Dane County Free Clothing Community Action Coalition	4101 E. Towne Blvd Madison, WI 53704	608-237-1255 <a href="http://www.cacscw.org">www.cacscw.org</a>

**To donate used and surplus construction materials** including cabinets, doors, windows, lumber, flooring, fixtures, tools and supplies, contact:

Habitat for Humanity ReStore East	4207 Monona Drive Madison, WI 53716	608-661-2813 <a href="http://www.restoredane.org">www.restoredane.org</a>
Habitat for Humanity ReStore West	5906 Odana Road Madison, WI 53719	608-442-9919 <a href="http://www.restoredane.org">www.restoredane.org</a>

**To sell your items** consider contacting local consignment stores. Other options include listing your items with Craig's List ([madison.craigslist.org](http://madison.craigslist.org)), Nextdoor ([nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com)), or with a classified ad in the [Middleton Times Tribune](http://MiddletonTimesTribune.com) (608-767-3655).

**The Freecycle Network** also has a Madison area presence. It's a grassroots nonprofit movement of people who give (and can get) stuff for free from others in our area. Membership is free, and everything posted must be free. For more information, see <https://www.freecycle.org/town/MadisonWI>.



## **CAN IT BE RECYCLED IN MY BLUE RECYCLING CART?**

**Curbside recycling is now easier than ever!** The all-in-one recycling or “single-stream” system allows you to put all your recyclables in one cart. Pellitteri's Recycling Processor will sort the items for you. Paper-based items and most glass, metal, or plastic containers can be recycled with this system. Hopefully, this change will encourage Middleton residents to increase their curbside recycling efforts.

**There are significant benefits to increased recycling:**

- ◆ **Recycling is good for our economy.** Providing hundreds of community-based jobs, recycling strengthens Wisconsin's economy. By collecting or using recycled materials, finding new markets for materials that would otherwise end up in landfills, and exploring new ways to reduce waste, our recycling industry stimulates economic development and drives real job creation.
- ◆ **Recycling is good for our environment.** We keep almost 2 million tons of material out of Wisconsin landfills and incinerators every year through recycling and composting. Recycling paper produces 73 percent less air pollution than using virgin materials. Recycling glass reduces mining waste by 80 percent. Recycling reduces waste, cuts air pollution and saves energy.
- ◆ **Recycling is the law.** Since 1990, Wisconsin's [recycling law](#) (WI Stat. §287) requires all residents and businesses to recycle [banned materials](#). Many of these banned items can be recycled using Middleton's curbside recycling program.

### **DON'T PLACE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BLUE CART!**

They cannot be recycled using "single-stream" recycling!

**See the "A To Z Recycling Guide" Starting on Page 15 for Suggestions on How to Recycle Items Marked with an Asterisk.**

Rubber bands	Frozen food or microwave dinner plates
Photos or film	Shrink-wrap
Blue print paper	Bubble wrap
Waxed paper	Deli containers – except #1 plastic
Waxed or plastic coated cardboard	Plastic zipper bags, shopping bags
Cardboard saturated with poultry, fish, or meat juices	Plastic wrap for food (e.g. saran wrap or food wrap)
Window glass or mirrors	Cellophane wrappers, including CD wrappers
Light bulbs*, Incandescent, halogen, or fluorescent	Compostable plastic bags
Dishware, Pyrex or ceramic* (see Reuse Options page 11)	<b>HARD PLASTIC ITEMS</b> Plant nursery pots and trays – of any size* 5 gal. buckets Laundry baskets Crates Toys & Play equipment Lawn furniture
Drinking glasses* (see Reuse Options page 11)	
Coat/clothing hangers*	
Propane or helium cylinders*	
Scrap metal over a certain size. See "Scrap Metal"*	
PVC pipe	Plexiglas
Vinyl siding* (see Construction & Demolition Debris page 21)	Blister packaging (the cardboard inside the package should be recycled)
All Styrofoam*, including packing peanuts and forms, takeout containers and meat trays*	
<b>Any Items contaminated with petroleum products such as fuel or tar (i.e. motor oil bottles).</b>	

## CAN IT BE RECYCLED IN MY BLUE RECYCLING CART?

### PLACE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BLUE RECYCLING CART!

Recycle This	Get It Ready!
<b>School and office papers, junk mail, envelopes, gift wrapping paper, paper bags</b>	Staples and tape are OK. Envelopes with plastic windows are OK. Remove paperclips.
<b>Shredded paper</b>	Place inside clear or transparent plastic bag and tie shut; a full bag should be smaller than a basketball.
<b>Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, paperback books</b>	Staples and tape are OK. Remove advertising stickers.
<b>Hardcover books</b>	Remove cover and put the cover in your <b>Brown Trash Cart (weekly)</b> .
<b>Lightweight cardboard</b> , including cereal boxes, 6-pack cartons, egg cartons, gift & shoe boxes, laundry detergent boxes	Remove plastic and foil liners and place the liners in your <b>Brown Trash Cart (weekly)</b> .
<b>Frozen food boxes</b>	Place in trash if coated with plastic microfilm layer or are waxed.
<b>Pizza boxes</b> (must be free of food & grease)	Remove and recycle lid if free of grease and food.
<b>Paper cups</b>	Rinse clean, lids & straws must go into trash, remove cardboard sleeves and place separately in <b>Blue Recycling Cart (weekly)</b> .
<b>Paper milk &amp; juice cartons</b>	Rinse clean.
<b>Corrugated cardboard</b>	Flatten cardboard to 2'x2' or smaller.
<b>Tin, steel &amp; bi-metal cans</b>	Rinse clean. If possible, remove paper labels and place both labels and cans in <b>Blue Recycling Cart (weekly)</b> .
<b>Aluminum foil</b>	Wash foil of all food waste, make foil into a ball.
<b>Aluminum cans (soda cans) &amp; containers</b>	Rinse clean.
<b>Aluminum trays, pie plates</b>	Rinse clean.
<b>Metal or plastic lids</b> from jars, cans and bottles	Remove caps or lids. Rinse clean. Place separately in <b>Blue Recycling Cart (weekly)</b> .
<b>Aerosol cans</b> , empty and without pressure	Remove and trash tops and nozzles. Take full and partially full cans to <b>Clean Sweep</b> .
<b>Glass bottles &amp; jars, wine bottles</b>	Rinse clean. Remove caps or lids and place separately in <b>Blue Recycling Cart (weekly)</b> . If possible, remove paper labels and place both labels and glass in <b>Blue Recycling Cart (weekly)</b> . All colors are OK. Broken bottles and jars are OK.



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**Plastic bottles and containers (labeled with recycling symbol 1 thru 7)**  
Milk jugs, margarine containers & lids, yogurt cups, plastic trays, plastic cups, deli containers, laundry detergent bottles, floor wax bottles

Rinse clean.  
Remove caps or lids and place separately in **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*).

## ALL ITEMS MUST BE FREE OF FOOD & GREASE

**Many items can be recycled even if they cannot be placed in your Blue Recycling Cart.** Before you throw something in the trash, check out this alphabetical guide for environmentally friendly alternatives to the garbage. Additional sources for recycling information are:

City of Middleton: <https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/183/Recycling>

Clean Sweep: [www.danecountycleansweep.com](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com)

Dane County Recycling Information: <https://landfill.countyofdane.com/resources>

City of Fitchburg's Recycling Guide: <http://www.fitchburgwi.gov/DocumentCenter/View/14005/Fitchburg-Recycling-Guide>

City of Madison: [www.cityofmadison.com/streets](http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets)

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources: [dnr.wi.gov/topic/Recycling/](http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Recycling/)

Earth 911: [www.earth911.com](http://www.earth911.com)

## AEROSOL CANS

**If empty:** Remove and trash tops and nozzles, place cans in **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*).

### If partially full or full:

#### Clean Sweep

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212

[www.danecountycleansweep.com/](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/)

Mondays - Fridays

7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays

8:00 am - 10:45am

Closed Sundays & Holidays

## AMMUNITION

Call the Dane County Sheriff's Bomb Squad Technician at 608-255-2345 for information about proper disposal.

## ANIMAL WASTE

**Put in the household trash.** Place waste in a plastic bag. Seal the bag and place in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).

## ANIMALS, DEAD

**Road kill:** Call Middleton Public Works Department, [www.cityofmiddleton.us](http://www.cityofmiddleton.us), 608-821-8370.

**Deer carcasses:** Call the Dane County Sheriff's Office at 608-255-2345.

## ANTIFREEZE

**Recycling:** Many automotive service stations offer antifreeze recycling. See

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<https://landfill.countyofdane.com/recycle-locations> for a list of participating stations.

**Disposal:** Do **not** dump antifreeze in a storm sewer or a home drain. Take to Dane County Clean Sweep (7102 US Hwy 12, Madison, WI).

### APPLIANCES, LARGE

See the "Bulky Items" & "Large Appliances" (under hazardous waste).

### APPLIANCES, SMALL

(Toasters, mixers, blenders, coffee makers, crock pots, irons, power tools, vacuum cleaners, etc.)

**If the appliance is in working order, donate it to one of the organizations below:**

<b>St. Vincent de Paul Society</b>	213 S. Klein Street Waunakee, WI 53597 6301 Odana Road Madison, WI 53719	608-278-2920  608-278-2920 ext. 399 <a href="http://www.svdpmadison.org">www.svdpmadison.org</a>
<b>Goodwill Industries</b>	6280 Century Ave Middleton, WI 53562 4530 Verona Rd. Madison, WI 53711	608-820-1114  608-271-4687 <a href="http://www.goodwillscwi.org">www.goodwillscwi.org</a>
<b>Savers (Easter Seals Wisconsin)</b>	8001 Excelsior Dr STE 200 Madison, WI 53717	608-277-8288 <a href="http://www.wi.easterseals.com">www.wi.easterseals.com</a>

**If not in working order, item is smaller than a basketball, and item is mostly metal, place in Blue Recycling Cart (weekly).**

**If not in working order and item is mostly plastic, take to Middleton Recycling Center.**

### ASPHALT PAVEMENT (BROKEN)

<b>Payne &amp; Dolan</b>	6145 Cottonwood Drive Fitchburg, WI 53719	608-271-2722 <a href="http://www.payneanddolan.com">www.payneanddolan.com</a>
<b>Northwestern Stone</b>	4373 Pleasant View Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-1701 <a href="https://northwesternstone.com/">https://northwesternstone.com/</a>
<b>Dane County Landfill</b>	7102 US Hwy-12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-9555 <a href="https://landfill.countyofdane.com/">https://landfill.countyofdane.com/</a>

### ATHLETIC SHOES

<b>Fleet Feet Sports</b>	8440 Old Sauk Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-833-9999 <a href="http://www.fleetfeetmadison.com">www.fleetfeetmadison.com</a>
<b>Morgan Shoes</b>	Hilldale Mall 739 Hilldale Way Madison, WI 53705	608-238-3509 <a href="http://www.morganshoes.com">www.morganshoes.com</a>
<b>Movin' Shoes</b>	528 S. Park Street Madison, WI 53715	608-251-0125 <a href="http://www.movinshoesmadison.com">www.movinshoesmadison.com</a>
<b>The Shoe Box</b>	1314 Canal Street Black Earth, WI 53515	608-767-3447 <a href="http://www.theshoebox.com">www.theshoebox.com</a>

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## AUTO PARTS

See "Scrap Metal" on page 34.

## BALLASTS, FLUORESCENT LIGHTING FIXTURES

**Ballasts must be removed from fluorescent lighting fixtures. If ballast is labeled "No PCBs" take to Middleton Recycling Center. Fluorescent lighting fixtures with ballast removed can be disposed as scrap metal at the Middleton Recycling Center.**

**If ballast DOES NOT say "No PCBs" take to:**

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am - 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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## BATTERIES

**Non-rechargeable (alkaline): can be disposed of in brown trash cart. Other options include:**

<b>Batteries Plus</b>	406 Commerce Drive Madison, WI 53719	608-833-3630 <a href="http://www.batteriesplus.com">www.batteriesplus.com</a>
<b>Interstate Batteries</b>	2105 Parview Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-8500 <a href="http://www.interstatebatteries.com">www.interstatebatteries.com</a>

**Rechargeable (Nickel-Cadmium, Nickel-Metal Hydride or Lithium Ion):**

<b>Ace Hardware Middleton Springs</b>	2540 Allen Blvd. Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-2535 <a href="http://www.acehardware.com">www.acehardware.com</a>
<b>Interstate Batteries</b>	2105 Parview Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-8500 <a href="http://www.interstatebatteries.com">www.interstatebatteries.com</a>
<b>Wolff Kubly Ace Middleton</b>	6305 University Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-238-0251 <a href="http://www.wolffkubly.com">www.wolffkubly.com</a>
<b>Batteries Plus</b>	406 Commerce Drive Madison, WI 53719	608-833-3630 <a href="http://www.batteriesplus.com">www.batteriesplus.com</a>
<b>File 13 E-Waste Solutions</b>	3008 Meier Rd Madison, WI 53718	608-221-1313 <a href="http://www.file13usa.com/">www.file13usa.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b> (\$1 per pound)	4330 Parmenter St Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="http://www.cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">www.cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>

**Lead-Acid (car/truck/vehicle):**

<b>Interstate Batteries</b>	2105 Parview Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-8500 <a href="http://www.interstatebatteries.com">www.interstatebatteries.com</a>
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<b>Batteries Plus</b>	406 Commerce Drive Madison, WI 53719	608-833-3630 <a href="http://www.batteriesplus.com">www.batteriesplus.com</a>
<b>File 13 E-Waste Solutions</b>	3008 Meier Rd Madison, WI 53718	608-221-1313 <a href="http://www.file13usa.com/">www.file13usa.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b> (\$10/battery)	4330 Parmenter St Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="http://www.cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">www.cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>

*NOTE: Any place that sells vehicle batteries must accept used batteries.*

### BOOKS

**Take to a resale shop or donate to a charitable organization.** Alternatively, place the book in your **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*). (Hard cover books must have covers removed.)

#### Other Options:

<b>Goodwill Industries</b>	6280 Century Ave Middleton, WI 53562 4530 Verona Rd. Madison, WI 53711	608-820-1114  608-271-4687 <a href="http://www.goodwillscwi.org">www.goodwillscwi.org</a>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul Society</b>	213 S. Klein Street Waunakee, WI 53597 6301 Odana Rd Madison, WI 53719	608-278-2920  608-278-2920 ext. 399 <a href="http://www.svdpmadison.org">www.svdpmadison.org</a>
<b>Frugal Muse</b>	6682 Odana Rd Madison, WI 53719	608-203-9675 <a href="http://www.frugalmuse.com/west.html">www.frugalmuse.com/west.html</a>
<b>Half Price Books, Records, Magazines</b>	626 S. Whitney Way Madison, WI 53711	608-273-1140 <a href="http://www.halfpricebooks.com">www.halfpricebooks.com</a>

### BOXSPRINGS

See "Mattresses."

### BRITA® WATER FILTERS

Shake water off filter and set in a dry place for at least 3 days. Bring to the Middleton Recycling Center and place in the Brita TerraCycle bin:

<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>
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### BRUSH

Curbside collection by the City of Middleton Public Works Department:

- ◆ Please refer to our [current policy](#) on the City website.
- ◆ To determine your collection week, contact Public Works at 608-821-8370 or see <https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/DocumentCenter/View/297/Collection-Schedule-by-Street-Address>.

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For additional disposal options, see "Yard Waste."

## CABINETS

See "Construction & Demolition Debris."

## CARDBOARD

Place in **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*). Additional recyclables that don't fit in the **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*) may be put in clear (not white) plastic bags and placed next to your recycling cart. Bags that are not clear will not be collected. Large corrugated cardboard (three layers with wavy inner layer) can be taken to:

**Middleton Recycling Center** (Free)

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

## CARPET

Carpet reclamation by **Sergenians** (guaranteed not to be landfilled), 3812 Kipp St, Madison 53718, 608-273-6361, <http://www.sergenians.com/sustainability/carpet-reclamation/>. Sergenians may charge a fee and have a maximum size limit.

Special collection by **Pellitteri Waste Systems**: Call 608-257-4285 to schedule special collection. Cut carpeting, roll into bundles and tie. Maximum size: 4' long x 2' diameter. Charges apply for special collection.

Place in brown trash cart. **Lid on cart must close.**

## CARPET PADDING

**Future Foam**

2210 Parview Rd  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-831-4433  
[www.futurefoam.com](http://www.futurefoam.com)

**Reynolds Urethane Recycling**

2701 Progress Road  
Madison, WI 53716

608-906-4244  
<http://www.reynoldsurethanerecycling.com/> (Fees apply)

**Sergenians**

3812 Kipp St  
Madison, WI 53718

608-273-6361  
<http://www.sergenians.com/sustainability/carpet-reclamation/>  
(Fees apply)

## CDs, DVDs

**GreenDisk**

Must be shipped to Green Disk; see website for details.

1-800-305-DISK  
[www.greendisk.com](http://www.greendisk.com)

**Middleton Recycling Center (\$1/pound fee)**

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### CELL PHONES

<b>Middleton Senior Center</b>	7448 Hubbard Avenue Middleton, WI 53562 or drop-off box in City Hall	608-831-2373 <a href="https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/109/Senior-Center">https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/109/Senior-Center</a>
<b>Henry Vilas Zoo</b>	702 Randall Avenue Madison, WI 53715	608-258-9490 <a href="http://www.vilas zoo.org">www.vilas zoo.org</a>
<b>US Cellular</b>	8319 Murphy Dr Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-1008 <a href="http://www.quality-cellular.com/middleton.html">www.quality-cellular.com/middleton.html</a>
<b>File 13 E-Waste Solutions</b>	3008 Meier Rd Madison, WI 53718	608-221-1313 <a href="http://www.file13usa.com/">www.file13usa.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>

### CEMENT

See "Fill Material."

### CLEANERS, LAUNDRY ADDITIVES, & OTHER WATER-BASED HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS

If usable post on The Freecycle Network (<https://www.freecycle.org/town/MadisonWI>). Otherwise, flush liquids down an indoor drain unless you have a septic tank; throw solids in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*). NEVER dump these items in a storm sewer.

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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### CLEANERS & PRODUCTS CONTAINING STRONG ACIDS OR BASES (Drain clog removers, photographic fixer, muriatic acid, etc.)

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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### CLOTHING

See "Can It Be Used by Someone Else?" on page 11.

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**Goodwell Industries** 6280 Century Ave.  
Middleton, WI 53562

### COAT/CLOTHING HANGERS

**Metal Hangers** – Take to one of the businesses below. Also, see “Scrap Metal.” Do NOT place in [Blue Recycling Cart](#) (*weekly*).

**Klinke Cleaners** 8460 Old Sauk Rd 608-224-1100  
Madison, WI 53717 [www.klinkecleaners.com/](http://www.klinkecleaners.com/)

**Plastic Hangers** – Take to Middleton Recycling Center.

### CONCRETE

See “Fill Material.”

### COMPUTERS

See “Electronics.”

### CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS

(Paneling, plywood, cabinets, insulation, plaster, countertops, siding, drywall, etc.)

*Also see “Dimensional Lumber” and “Asphalt Shingles.”*

#### Donate or recycle:

**Habitat ReStore East** 4207 Monona Drive 608-661-2813  
Madison, WI 53716 [www.restorethane.org](http://www.restorethane.org)

**Habitat ReStore West** 5906 Odana Rd 608-442-9919  
Madison, WI 53719 [www.restorethane.org](http://www.restorethane.org)

#### Disposal Options:

**Pellitteri Waste Systems** 7035 Raywood Rd Call 608-257-4285 to arrange a special  
Madison, WI 53713 collection. There is a fee for this  
service. [www.pellitteri.com](http://www.pellitteri.com)

#### **Materials from “do-it-yourself” scale remodeling projects, such as lumber, drywall and paneling will be collected, subject to the following:**

*Loose materials must be placed in bags or cans like other garbage, or securely tied in bundles, not to exceed 4 feet in length and 50 pounds in weight. Each item or portion cannot exceed 50 pounds in weight. Single items, such as toilets, sinks, vanities, garage doors, and kitchen cabinets must be disassembled.*

**Dane County Landfill Residential & Commercial** 7102 US Hwy 12 608-838-9555  
Madison, WI 53718 <https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/construction>  
(Fees apply)

**1-800-GOT-JUNK** 1-800-468-5865  
[www.1800gotjunk.com/](http://www.1800gotjunk.com/)



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### COOKING OIL

(Liquid vegetable oil, animal fat, solid vegetable-based oils, grease and lard)

**Disposal of small amounts:** Solidify by freezing or mixing with Oil Dry or shredded paper and place in a plastic bag for disposal in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).

<b>Sanimax Grease Services</b>	605 Bassett Street DeForest, WI 53532	608-846-5466 <a href="http://www.sanimax.com">www.sanimax.com</a>
<b>Prairie Fire BioFuel Co-op</b>	PO Box 373 Madison, WI 53701	608-441-5454 <a href="http://pfbf.typepad.com/">pfbf.typepad.com/</a>

### DIGITAL CAMERAS, IPODS, & OTHER SMALL ELECTRONIC ITEMS

<b>File 13 E-Waste Solutions</b>	3008 Meier Rd Madison, WI 53718	608-221-1313 <a href="http://www.file13usa.com/">www.file13usa.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Senior Center</b>	7448 Hubbard Avenue Middleton, WI 53562 or drop-off box in City Hall	608-831-2373 <a href="https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/109/Senior-Center">https://www.cityofmiddleton.us/109/Senior-Center</a>

#### **Middleton Recycling Center**

*FREE recycling of cell phones, digital cameras, and iPods. Proceeds benefit Middleton seniors with financial needs.*

### DIRT

See "Fill Material."

### DRIVEWAY SEALANT/ROOFING TAR, fluid/semisoft

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am - 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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**DRUGS** — See "Medications/Pharmaceuticals."

**DRUMS, 55-GALLON METAL** — Empty and remove both ends.

<b>All Metals Recycling</b>	1802 S. Park Street Madison, WI 53713	608-255-0960 <a href="http://www.allmetalsrecyclingllc.com/">www.allmetalsrecyclingllc.com/</a>
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**DRYWALL** — See "Construction & Demolition Debris."

### ELECTRONICS

(Computer hardware, monitors, mice, cables, printers, DVDs, CDs, tapes, electronic media, VCRs, DVD players, scanners, stereos, electric typewriters, telephones, televisions, non-mercury thermostats, and smoke alarms.)

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On October 23, 2009, a bill was signed into law that bans the landfilling or incineration of computers, televisions, and printers in Wisconsin (2009 Wisconsin Act 50).

**FOR ELECTRONIC DONATIONS SITES:** CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM ACCEPTED ITEMS AND ANY ASSOCIATED CHARGES YOU WILL NEED TO PAY FOR DISPOSAL.

### DONATE:

**Goodwill Industries**

Note: Goodwill does not accept TVs

6280 Century Ave  
Middleton, WI 53562/  
4530 Verona Rd.  
Madison, WI 53711

608-820-1114

608-271-4687

[www.goodwillscwi.org](http://www.goodwillscwi.org)

*Goodwill Industries accepts computer equipment in any condition and just about anything that can be attached to a computer, FREE OF CHARGE. A list of items can be found at:*

[www.streamwood.org/Reference/Forms/ComputerEquipmentRecyclingwithReconnect.aspx](http://www.streamwood.org/Reference/Forms/ComputerEquipmentRecyclingwithReconnect.aspx).

*Donors are responsible for backing up any valuable information and erasing sensitive data from the hard drive. Goodwill Industries does not accept liability for lost or confidential data or software.*

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**  
(No TV's)

213 S. Klein Street  
Waunakee, WI 53597/  
6301 Odana Road  
Madison, WI 53719

608-278-2920

608-278-2920 ext. 399

[www.svdpmadison.org](http://www.svdpmadison.org)

### RECYCLE:

**Best Buy**

7357 West Towne Way  
Madison, WI 53719

608-829-1188

[www.bestbuy.com/](http://www.bestbuy.com/)

**Savers (WI Easter Seals)**  
(No TV's manufactured before 2002)

8001 Excelsior Dr STE 200  
Madison, WI 53717

608-277-8288

[www.wi.easterseals.com](http://www.wi.easterseals.com)

**Cascade Asset Management**

6701 Manufacturers Drive  
Madison, WI 53704

888-222-8399

[www.cascade-assets.com](http://www.cascade-assets.com)

*Cascade accepts any and all computer and computer-related equipment from businesses. Businesses may choose to have Cascade refurbish and resell equipment, donate working computers to charity, or disassemble equipment for recycling. Cascade charges a fee to collect and inventory equipment, wipe hard drives, and responsibly recycle computer equipment in accordance with the law. Cascade accepts all CRTs for glass-to-glass recycling. All other equipment is sent directly to other recycling firms, not brokers.*

**Dane County Clean Sweep**

7102 USH 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212

<https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/clean-sweep>

**Apple Store**

444 N. Midvale Blvd  
Madison, WI 53719

608-827-9840

<http://www.apple.com/retail/westtown>

**File 13 E-Waste Solutions**

3008 Meier Rd  
Madison, WI 53718

608-221-1313

[www.file13usa.com](http://www.file13usa.com)

**Middleton Senior Center**

7448 Hubbard Avenue  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-831-2373

Drop box in City Hall

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*Free recycling of cell phones, digital cameras and iPods. Proceeds from the recycling benefit Middleton Seniors who have financial needs.*

**Middleton Recycling Center** 4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

**Resource Solutions Corp.** 5493 Express Circle 608-244-5451  
Madison, WI 53704 [www.recyclethatstuff.com](http://www.recyclethatstuff.com)

*De-manufactures all computer and electronic scrap. Accepts computers, computer related equipment and any electronic equipment.*

**Staples** 6580 Monona Dr 608-216-0931  
Monona, WI 53716 [https://stores.staples.com/wi/monona/6580-monona-drive?cmpid=st\\_ll\\_goo&cid=LS:RETAIL:G](https://stores.staples.com/wi/monona/6580-monona-drive?cmpid=st_ll_goo&cid=LS:RETAIL:G)

*Recycles Dell® branded computers, monitors and printers for FREE. Other brands are \$10 per item. Trade-in items include: notebook PCs, desktop PCs, game systems, digital cameras, MP3 players, LCD monitors, camcorders, and smartphones/PDAs.*

**The Computer Store West** High Point Center 608-827-7973, fax 833-4337  
Madison, WI 53717 [www.tcswi.com/](http://www.tcswi.com/)

*\* Will recycle computers and purchase some material, contact the store for more information.\**

**Guy - Girl & A Truck** 608-209-5977  
(Fees apply) [guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com](mailto:guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com) or [ron@worldofron.com](mailto:ron@worldofron.com)

## EXPLOSIVES

Call the Dane County Sheriff's Bomb Squad Technician at 608-255-2345 for information about proper disposal.

## EYEGASSES

**Middleton Recycling Center** 4330 Parmenter Street 608-821-8390  
Middleton, WI 53562 <https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

**Middleton Senior Center** 7448 Hubbard Ave 608-831-2373  
Middleton, WI 53562

**UW Health** 2349 Deming Way Ste 200, 608-824-3930  
Middleton, WI 53562 [www.uwhealth.org/](http://www.uwhealth.org/)

**Wisconsin Vision** 5505 Odana Road 608-277-9393  
Madison, WI 53719 <https://www.wisconsinvision.com/>

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<b>Eyemart Express</b>	6658 Odana Road Madison, WI 53719	608-829-1818 <a href="http://www.eyemartexpress.com/">www.eyemartexpress.com/</a>
<b>JC Penney's</b>	23 West Towne Mall Madison, WI 53719	608-833-9011 <a href="http://www.jcpenney.com">http://www.jcpenney.com</a>
<b>Dean Optical</b>	752 N High Point Road Middleton, WI 53717	608-282-2000 <a href="http://www.ssmhealth.com">SSM Health</a>
<b>Joyce-Ryan Funeral Home Inc</b>	5701 Odana Road Madison, WI 53719	608-274-1000 <a href="http://www.ryanfuneralservice.com/fh/home/home.cfm?fh_id=10436">www.ryanfuneralservice.com/fh/home/home.cfm?fh_id=10436</a>
<b>Eye Contact</b>	7428 Mineral Point Road Madison, WI 53717	608-833-3937 <a href="http://www.eycontactmadison.com/">eyecontactmadison.com/</a>
<b>Stanton Optical</b>	434 S. Gammon Pl #2 Madison, WI 53719	608-424-5419 <a href="http://www.stantonoptical.com/">www.stantonoptical.com/</a>
<b>Woodman's West</b>	725 S. Gammon Road Madison, WI 53719	608-274-8944 <a href="https://www.woodmans-food.com/">https://www.woodmans-food.com/</a>

## FERTILIZER

Fertilizer that does not contain pesticides or herbicides: Put in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).  
Fertilizer that does contain pesticides or herbicides (Weed-N-Feed, insect control):

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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## FILL MATERIAL

(Bricks, concrete, concrete blocks, clay, dirt, rocks, and stones) Call organizations for pricing information.

<b>Payne &amp; Dolan</b>	6145 Cottonwood Drive Fitchburg, WI 53719	608-271-2722 <a href="http://www.payneanddolan.com/">www.payneanddolan.com/</a>
<b>Dane County Landfill</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-9555 <a href="https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/landfill">https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/landfill</a>
<b>Hammersley Stone Co, Inc.</b>	6291 Lacy Road Fitchburg, WI 53593	608-845-7804 <a href="http://www.hammersleystone.com/">www.hammersleystone.com/</a>
<b>Northwestern Stone</b>	4373 Pleasant View Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-1701 <a href="https://northwesternstone.com/">https://northwesternstone.com/</a>

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

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<b>Jefferson Fire &amp; Safety</b>	7620 Donna Drive Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-0068 <a href="http://www.jeffersonfire.com/">www.jeffersonfire.com/</a>
<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays

### FIREWORKS

Call the Dane County Sheriff's Bomb Squad Technician at 608-255-2345 for information about proper disposal.

### FLAGS

<b>VFW Post #8216</b> <i>Fold properly</i>	6710 Century Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-5391 <a href="http://middletonvfw.org/">http://middletonvfw.org/</a>
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### FLARES

Call the Dane County Sheriff's Bomb Squad Technician at 608-255-2345 for information about proper disposal.

### FLOWER (NURSERY) POTS AND TRAYS (PLASTIC)

<b>Schönheit Gardens</b>	3008 County Rd T Sun Prairie, WI 53590	608-242-8472 <a href="https://www.sglgardens.com/">https://www.sglgardens.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter St Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>

### FLUORESCENT LIGHTS

See "Light Bulbs" and/or "Ballasts, Fluorescent Lighting Fixtures."

### FOOD

Donate unopened non-perishable items to one of these organizations:

<b>WayForward Resources (formerly Middleton Outreach Ministry)</b>	3502 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-7338 <a href="http://www.momhelps.org/">http://www.momhelps.org/</a>
<b>Second Harvest Foodbank</b>	2802 Dairy Drive Madison, WI 53718	608-223-9121 <a href="http://www.secondharvestmadison.org">www.secondharvestmadison.org</a>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry</b>	2033 Fish Hatchery Road Madison, WI 53713	608-257-0919 <a href="http://www.svdpmadison.org">www.svdpmadison.org</a>
<b>Porchlight Madison</b>	306 N Brooks Street Madison, WI 53715	608-257-2534 <a href="https://porchlightinc.org/">https://porchlightinc.org/</a>

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## FOOD WASTE

Home Composting Bin – fruit and vegetables ONLY. Do NOT compost meats, fats, or bones as they attract wildlife; instead, dispose of in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*).

## FUELS & OTHER FLAMMABLES

(Gasoline, kerosene, fuel oil, and solvent-based driveway sealer)

**Clean Sweep**  
(Less than 5 gal)

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212  
[www.danecountycleansweep.com/](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/)  
Tuesdays - Fridays  
7:00 am - 2:45 pm  
Saturdays  
8:00 am - 10:45am  
Closed Sundays & Holidays

### Quantities greater than 5 gallons:

**Terminal Oil Group**

3910 Terminal Drive  
Madison, WI 53718

608-221-8881

## FURNITURE

(Chairs, sofas/loveseats, pianos/organs, tables, desk, and bookcases)

**Donate Usable Furniture.** Call ahead. Many of these organizations do not accept baby furniture.

**Goodwill Industries**

6280 Century Ave  
Middleton, WI 53562  
4530 Verona Rd.  
Madison, WI 53711

608-820-1114

608-271-4687

[www.goodwillscwi.org](http://www.goodwillscwi.org)

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

213 S. Klein Street  
Waunakee, WI 53597  
6301 Odana Road  
Madison, WI 53719

608-278-2920

608-278-2920 ext. 399

[www.svdpmadison.org](http://www.svdpmadison.org)

**Savers**

**(Easter Seals Wisconsin)**

8001 Excelsior Dr STE 200  
Madison, WI 53717

608-277-8288

[www.wi.easterseals.com](http://www.wi.easterseals.com)

**Agrace HospiceCare  
Thrift Store**

118 Junction Road  
Madison, WI 53717

608-327-7072

<http://www.agrace.org/>

**Porchlight Madison**

306 N Brooks Street  
Madison, WI 53715

608-257-2534

<https://porchlightinc.org/>

**Guy - Girl & A Truck**

There is a fee for this service

608-209-5977

[guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com](mailto:guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com)

or [ron@worldofron.com](mailto:ron@worldofron.com)

### Other Options:

Many items can be listed with local consignment stores, or online classifieds such as Craig's List ([madison.craigslist.org](http://madison.craigslist.org)) or the Nextdoor website ([nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com)).

The Freecycle Network is grassroots, nonprofit organization of people who give (and can get) stuff for free from others in our area. Membership is free and everything posted must be free. For more information, see <https://www.freecycle.org/town/MadisonWI>.

### Disposal Options:

**Pellitteri Waste Systems**  
(Special pick-up/fees apply)

608-257-4285

[www.pellitteri.com](http://www.pellitteri.com)

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## Dane County Landfill

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-9555  
<https://landfill.countyofdane.com/>

## 1-800-GOT-JUNK

1-800-468-5865  
[www.1800gotjunk.com/](http://www.1800gotjunk.com/)

## GLASS CONTAINERS

See "Can It Be Recycled in My **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*)?"

## GLASS WINDOWS/DOORS

### Usable Windows/Doors:

#### Habitat ReStore East

4207 Monona Drive  
Madison, WI 53716

608-661-2813  
[www.restoredane.org](http://www.restoredane.org)

#### Habitat ReStore West

5906 Odana Road  
Madison, WI 53719

608-442-9919  
[www.restoredane.org](http://www.restoredane.org)

*Broken glass from doors/windows is not recyclable. Wrap carefully and place in your **Brown Trash Cart**.*

## GRILLS AND GAS-POWERED EQUIPMENT

Drain all fuel and oil and disconnect spark plug wire. Take to Middleton Recycling Center. (See Household Hazardous Waste below). Disassemble equipment and see "Scrap Metal" for disposal options.

## HEARING AIDS

#### Middleton Recycling Center

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

## HOLIDAY TREES AND GREENERY

The City of Middleton will collect and chip Christmas trees during the month of January on an as-needed basis. Only real trees and greenery will be collected. Remove all tinsel, decorations, tree stands, etc. Garlands and wreaths must be disassembled. The organic portion should be bundled, put the rest in your **Brown Trash Cart**. Trees in plastic bags or buried in snowbanks will not be collected.

TREES AND GREENERY **MUST** BE PLACED AT THE CURBSIDE OF CITY STREETS. TREES PLACED IN ALLEYS OR ON PRIVATE ROADS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

(Non-empty Paint, pesticides, poisons, herbicides, insecticides, pool chemicals, polishes, caulk, and aerosol cans)

#### Clean Sweep

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212  
[www.danecountycleansweep.com/](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/)  
Tuesdays - Fridays  
7:00 am - 2:45 pm  
Saturdays  
8:00 am - 10:45am  
Closed Sundays & Holidays



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**Guidelines:** Items should be packaged to keep them from spilling or breaking on the way. Leave materials in their original containers. DO NOT MIX like or unlike materials together. Leaking containers may be placed, as-is, in another container. Be sure to label the outside container.

## LAWN MOWERS

See "Grills and Gas-Powered Equipment."

## LEAVES

Please refer to the [current policy](#) on the City website.  
See "Yard Waste" for other disposal options.

## LIGHT BULBS

(Fluorescent [tube and compact fluorescent (CFL) light bulbs], light-emitting diode (LED), and incandescent bulbs)

*Fluorescent lamps and light bulbs contain toxic heavy metals (mercury). These items should be recycled rather than disposed of in landfills.*

<b>Ace of Middleton Springs</b>	2540 Allen Blvd Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-2535 <a href="http://www.acehardware.com">www.acehardware.com</a>
<b>Home Depot</b>	4550 Verona Road Madison, WI 53711	608-276-7922 <a href="http://www.homedepot.com">www.homedepot.com</a>
<b>Menards</b>	430 Commerce Drive Madison, WI 53719	608-833-0700 <a href="http://www.menards.com/">www.menards.com/</a>
<b>PKK Lighting</b>	7182 Hwy 14 Ste 501 Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-7821 <a href="http://www.pkklighting.com/">www.pkklighting.com/</a>
<b>Wolff-Kubly Ace</b>	6305 University Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-238-0251 <a href="http://www.wolffkubly.com/">www.wolffkubly.com/</a>

\*\*Call ahead to verify what types of bulbs are recycled and if there is a fee for disposal (most places take compact fluorescent light bulbs for free.). Incandescent light bulbs, which contain lead, can be taken to PKK Lighting for a fee. \*\*

**NOTE:** Dane County ordinances require that all stores selling fluorescent light bulbs must accept used bulbs for recycling.

## LUMBER, DIMENSIONAL

(Untreated 2x4s, pallets, etc...)

<b>Dane County Landfill: Construction &amp; Demolition</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-9555 <a href="https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/construction">https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/construction</a>
<b>Pellitteri Waste Systems</b>	7035 Raywood Road Madison, WI 53713	608-257-4285 <a href="http://www.pellitteri.com/">www.pellitteri.com/</a>
<b>Royal Container Service</b>	1015 Femrite Drive Monona, WI 53716	608-221-1919 <a href="http://www.royalcontainer.com/">www.royalcontainer.com/</a>
<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>

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## MATTRESSES

**Pellitteri Waste Systems**  
(Special pick-up/Fees apply)  
[Mattress Pick Up Instructions](#)

608-257-4285  
[www.pellitteri.com](http://www.pellitteri.com)

**Guy - Girl & A Truck**  
(Fees apply)

608-209-5977  
[guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com](mailto:guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com) or  
[ron@worldofron.com](mailto:ron@worldofron.com)

## MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, DURABLE

(Wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, etc.)

**Middleton  
Recycling Center**  
(Durable equipment  
only)

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

## MEDICAL/INFECTIOUS WASTE

See "Sharps."

## MEDICATIONS/PHARMACEUTICALS

(Prescription and over-the-counter medicines (pills, liquids and creams), medications for pets, vitamins, nebulizer solutions, medication samples, inhalers, & illegal drugs)

### Med Drop Box

Middleton Police Department  
7341 Donna Dr, Middleton

Open 24 hours a day, every day

*Empty pills into sealed plastic bags and recycle the pill bottles at home. If you are dropping off liquids or creams, they may remain in the original container, but also placed in a sealed plastic bag to avoid spillage.*

Check <https://safercommunity.net/> for more information.

*NOTE: Pharmacies do not accept these items for disposal.*

**Brown Trash Cart** – Remove medication from original containers and mix the medication with undesirable substances (i.e. coffee grounds, kitty litter, etc.) Place in a sealed container and put the sealed container in your **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*). **Do not flush medications down the toilet.**

## MERCURY

(Liquid mercury, and non-alcohol thermometers or thermostats w/ silver liquid)

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<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am - 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
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<b>PKK Lighting</b>	7182 Hwy 14 Ste 501 Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-7821 <a href="http://www.pkklighting.com/">www.pkklighting.com/</a>
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### **Thermostats Only:** (no mercury)

<b>First Supply</b>	6800 Gisholt Drive Madison, WI 53713	608-222-7799 <a href="https://www.firstsupply.com/">https://www.firstsupply.com/</a>
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<b>MG&amp;E</b>	133 S. Blair Street Madison, WI 53703	608-252-7000 <a href="http://www.mge.com">www.mge.com</a>
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<b>Menards</b>	430 Commerce Drive Madison, WI 53719	608-833-0700 <a href="http://www.menards.com/">www.menards.com/</a>
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<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>
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## MOTOR OIL & FILTERS

<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b> (located outside)	4330 Parmenter St. Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>
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<b>Bennett's Auto Repair LLC</b>	2229 Eagle Drive Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-5933 <a href="http://www.bennettsautorepair.com">www.bennettsautorepair.com</a>
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<b>Car Care Clinic Inc</b>	2733 University Avenue Madison, WI 53705	608-233-4600 <a href="http://www.carcareclinicjetlube.com/">www.carcareclinicjetlube.com/</a>
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<b>Jensen Auto Inc.</b>	1233 Regent Street Madison, WI 53715	608-257-9201
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<b>Jiffy Lube</b>	1102 E Washington Avenue Madison, WI 53703	608-975-7265 <a href="http://jiffylube.com/">http://jiffylube.com/</a>
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## PACKING PEANUTS

Can NOT be recycled, place in your **Brown Trash Cart**

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### PAINT

**Latex Paint:** Dry thoroughly with latex paint dryer, clay-based kitty litter, Oil Dry or newspapers. Remove the lids and dispose of in your **Brown Trash Cart**. **Do not dump paint in a storm sewer or home drain.** Clean Sweep will accept containers of liquid latex paint that are more than half full.

**Oil or solvent-based paint, finish removers, spray paint, stain, shellac, varnish, turpentine, thinner, furniture stripper, etc...** Give away or re-use if possible.

<b>Clean Sweep</b>	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am Closed Sundays & Holidays
<b>Freecycle</b>		<a href="http://www.freecycle.org">www.freecycle.org</a>

### PALLETS

<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b>	4330 Parmenter St. Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>
<b>Norske Woodworks</b>	4732 WI Hwy 78 Trunk Black Earth, WI 53515	608-767-3994 <a href="http://www.norskewoodworks.com/">www.norskewoodworks.com/</a>

### PAPER

See "Can It Be Recycled in My **Blue Recycling Cart**" on page 10.

### PAPER SHREDDING

**Pellitteri Waste Systems** hosts several paper shredding events in Dane County each year. For a fee, they also pick up, and allow residents to drop off paper to be shredded. See Pellitteri's website [www.pellitteri.com](http://www.pellitteri.com), or contact Pellitteri at 608-257-HAUL(4285) for more information.

### PERSONAL CARE AND BEAUTY PRODUCTS

<b>Walgreens</b>	2010 Branch Street Middleton, WI	608-831-6548
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*NOTE: Drop off container for hair care packaging, skin care packaging, and cosmetics packaging.*

### PESTICIDES & POISONS

(Cyanide, stump remover, pool chemicals, herbicides, insecticides, pet pesticides, rodenticides, weed-feed or pest control fertilizers)

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### Clean Sweep

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212  
[www.danecountycleansweep.com/](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/)  
Tuesdays - Fridays  
7:00 am - 2:45 pm  
Saturdays  
8:00 am - 10:45am  
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### PHOTOGRAPHIC FIXER (SILVER)

#### Superior Radiographic Services

4726 Pflaum Road  
Madison, WI 53718

608-226-9729  
[www.superiorrad.com](http://www.superiorrad.com)

### PLASTICS, HARD

(Must be 100% plastics, no metals, cloth or other materials)

**Middleton Recycling Center** 4330 Parmenter St.  
Middleton, WI 53562

### PLASTIC CONTAINERS

See "Can It Be Recycled in My **Blue Recycling Cart?**" on page 13.

### PLASTIC BAGS

#### Middleton Recycling Center

4330 Parmenter St.  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

*WRAP Recycling Program: Plastic retail bags, food storage bags, produce bags, dry cleaning bags, case wrap, bread bags, air pillow packaging, paper products wrap*

### PRINTER CARTRIDGES

(Ink jet, laser, toner)

#### Middleton Recycling Center (Free)

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

#### Ecological Toner & Service

2434 Vondron Road  
Madison, WI 53718

608-221-5004  
<http://www.etstoner.com/?osCsid=4dc7693a6dd291387ba1deee2a03ef4f>

#### File 13 E-Waste Solutions

3008 Meier Rd  
Madison, WI 53718

608-221-1313  
[www.file13usa.com/](http://www.file13usa.com/)

#### Best Buy

7357 W Towne Way  
Madison, WI 53719

<https://stores.bestbuy.com/wi/madison/7357-w-towne-way-208.html>

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### PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

See "Medication."

### PROPANE CYLINDERS/TANKS

<b>Clean Sweep</b> (1 lb. Cylinders)	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a> Tuesdays - Fridays 7:00 am - 2:45 pm Saturdays 8:00 am- 10:45am
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Closed Sundays & Holidays

**20 lb. cylinders** – Check with local retailers that fill/exchange cylinders:

<b>Ace of Middleton Springs</b>	2540 Allen Blvd. Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-2535 <a href="http://www.acehardware.com">www.acehardware.com</a>
<b>Cenex</b>	1755 N Pleasant View Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-8215 <a href="http://www.cenex.com">www.cenex.com</a>
<b>Kwik Trip</b>	6519 Century Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-1848 <a href="https://www.kwiktrip.com/">https://www.kwiktrip.com/</a>
<b>Walgreens</b>	2010 Branch Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-6548 <a href="http://www.walgreens.com">www.walgreens.com</a>
<b>CVS Pharmacy</b>	6210 Century Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-6630 <a href="http://www.cvs.com/stores/cvs-pharmacy">www.cvs.com/stores/cvs-pharmacy</a>
<b>Mounds Pet Food Warehouse</b>	8311 University Avenue Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-3000 <a href="http://moundspet.com/">moundspet.com/</a>

### RECYCLABLES

Aluminum cans, steel (tin) cans, glass bottles & jars, office paper, newspapers, corrugated cardboard, junk mail, paperback books, school paper, cereal, shoe & gift boxes, magazines, paperboard egg cartons, plastic containers with the recycling symbol #1-7.

See "Can It Be Recycled in My **Blue Recycling Cart** (*weekly*)?" on page 10.

### REUSABLE ITEMS

Clothing and cloth scraps, toys, books, tools, linens, small appliances, housewares, shoes, furniture  
See "Can It Be Used by Someone Else?".

### ROCKS

See "Fill Material."

### SCRAP METAL

Pipe, aluminum lawn chairs, metal window frames, tools, radiators, farm equipment, cast iron, gutters, metal coat/clothing hangers, and other metal items.  
Does not include: paint cans, appliances, fuel or oil tanks.

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*Small metal plumbing fixtures and pipes (faucets, valves, pipes 2"-12" long), metal pots & pans, and small metal appliances (no larger than a basketball) can be placed in the Blue Recycling Cart (weekly). Do not place large metal items in the Blue Recycling Cart (weekly).*

<b>Middleton Recycling Center</b> (Must be at least 80% metal)	Street 4330 Parmenter Middleton, WI 53562	608-821-8390 <a href="https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center">https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center</a>
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### **Other Options:** (Fees May Apply)

<b>The Can Man</b>	7432 Schneider Road Middleton, WI 53562	608-831-2775
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<b>Guy - Girl &amp; A Truck</b>		608-209-5977 <a href="mailto:guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com">guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:ron@worldofron.com">ron@worldofron.com</a>
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<b>All Metal Recycling</b>	1802 S Park Street Madison, WI 53713	608-255-0960 <a href="http://www.allmetalsrecyclingllc.com/">www.allmetalsrecyclingllc.com/</a>
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<b>Diehl-Neumaier Co</b>	5466 Norway Grove School Rd De Forest, WI 53532	608-846-4824 <a href="http://www.diehlrecycling.com/">www.diehlrecycling.com/</a>
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<b>American Legion Post 245</b>	2217 American Legion Drive Cross Plains, WI 53528	608-798-3291 <a href="http://www.americanlegioncp.org/">www.americanlegioncp.org/</a>
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## SHARPS

(Syringes, scalpels, lancets, and other sharp household medical waste)

Place in an approved medical waste box ("Sharps" container) and take to a pharmacy or clinic that accepts "Sharps". Sharps may also be placed in a hard plastic bottle w/cap (i.e., laundry detergent bottle) and taken to a pharmacy. **Do not place in trash or recycling carts.**

<b>Walgreens</b>	7810 Mineral Point Road Madison, WI 53717	608-833-1222 <a href="http://www.walgreens.com">www.walgreens.com</a>
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<b>Walgreens</b>	3700 University Avenue Madison, WI 53705	608-238-7109 <a href="http://www.walgreens.com">www.walgreens.com</a>
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*NOTE: Only Madison locations accept sharps*

## SHINGLES, ASPHALT

Dane County Clean Sweep	7102 US Hwy 12 Madison, WI 53718	608-838-3212 <a href="http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/">www.danecountycleansweep.com/</a>
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## SHOES and SNEAKERS

See "Athletic Shoes."

## SMALL ITEMS (TERRACYCLE® BRANDS)

**Middleton  
Recycling Center**

4330 Parmenter St.  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

*Accepted Items:* Brita® brand filter products, Colgate® and any brand oral care products

## SNOWBLOWERS

See "Grills and Gas-Powered Equipment."

## SOD

See "Fill Material."

## SOLVENTS

(Finish removers, furniture strippers, paint thinners, mineral spirits, pastes, polishes, caulks [that are combustible or flammable], petroleum distillates, acetone [includes nail polish remover], toluene, and xylene.

**Dane County Clean Sweep**

7102 US Hwy 12  
Madison, WI 53718

608-838-3212  
[www.danecountycleansweep.com/](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com/)  
Open year round  
Tuesdays - Fridays  
7:00am - 3:00pm  
Saturdays  
8:00 am - 11:00am  
Closed Sundays & Holidays

**Hydrite Chemical**

114 N. Main Street  
Cottage Grove, WI 53527

608-839-4571  
[www.hydrite.com](http://www.hydrite.com)

## STONES

See "Fill Material."

## STUMPS

See "Trash and Recycling Haulers."

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### STYROFOAM (EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE)

(Block packing materials, and food containers – must be clean)

**Block Styrofoam** (i.e., Packing materials around TVs and computers):

**Middleton  
Recycling Center**

4330 Parmenter St.  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

### SWINGSETS

**Wood structures** – Disassemble and see “Construction Debris.”

**Metal structures** – Disassemble and see “Scrap Metal.”

### SYRINGES

See “Sharps.”

### TELEPHONES

See “Electronics.”

### TELEVISION

See “Electronics.”

### TENNIS SHOES

See “Athletic Shoes.”

### TEXTILES

**Goodwill  
Industries**

6280 Century Ave.  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-820-1114

### THERMOMETERS / THERMOSTATS

With silver liquid - See “Mercury.”

Without silver liquid - Place in **Brown Trash Cart** (*weekly*), *OR*

**Middleton  
Recycling Center**

4330 Parmenter  
Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

### TIRES

**Curbside collection:** Call Pellitteri Waste Systems at 608-257-4285 to schedule collection. See “What If It’s Too Big to Fit in My Carts?” on page 40 for more information, including fees.

**Take tires (off of rim only) to:** Dane County Landfill, 7102 US Hwy 12, Madison, WI 53718, 608-838-9555, <https://landfill.countyofdane.com/services/landfill>.

**Take to local tire dealers accepting used tires for a small fee.**

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## TRASH AND RECYCLING HAULERS

<b>Pellitteri Waste Systems</b>	7035 Raywood Road Madison, WI 53713	608-257-HAUL (4285) <a href="http://www.pellitteri.com">www.pellitteri.com</a>
<b>Green Valley Disposal</b>	PO Box 473 Waunakee, WI 53597	608-325-4146

<b>Waste Management (WM)</b>	2418 W Badger Road Madison, WI 53713	608-620-7642 <a href="https://www.wm.com/us/en">https://www.wm.com/us/en</a>
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## TREE TRUNKS less than 6" Diameter

See "Yard Waste."

## TREE TRUNKS greater than 6" Diameter

Cut into 2' lengths and leave at curb with sign ("free firewood") for anyone to pick up or post an email to Freecycle.org. For information on Freecycle.org, see "Can It Be Used by Someone Else?"

## TWIGS

See "Yard Waste."

## TYVEK® ENVELOPES

**Dupont** For small quantities (less than 25) turn any Tyvek® envelope inside out so the unprinted white surface shows on the outside. Stuff with other used Tyvek® envelopes.

Address and mail envelope to:  
Tyvek® Recycle  
Attn. Shirley B. Wright  
8401 Fort Darling Rd.  
Richmond, VA 23237

For larger quantities see: <https://www.dupont.com/tyvekdesign/design-with-tyvek/tyvek-recycling-program.html>

## VACUUM CLEANERS

See "Small Appliances."

## VEHICLES

<b>Middleton Outreach Ministry</b>	3502 Parmenter Street Middleton, WI 53562	608-836-7338
<b>Make a Wish Foundation</b>	1 S Pinckney Street Ste 40 Madison, WI 53703	608-252-4321

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## VIDEOTAPES

**Middleton Recycling Center** (\$1/lb.)

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

**GreenDisk**

Must be shipped to Green Disk; see website for details.

1-800-305-DISK  
[www.greendisk.com](http://www.greendisk.com)

## WOOD

**Middleton Recycling Center**

4330 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-821-8390  
<https://cityofmiddleton.us/420/Recycling-Center>

*NOTE: accepts only wood that is not treated, stained, painted, or engineered.*

### **Other Options:**

See "Dimensional Lumber."

## YARD WASTE

Yard waste is defined as grass clippings, leaves, plants, flowers, weeds, vines, small bark pieces, twigs less than 1/2" diameter and less than 12" long, vegetables, fruit, straw. For trees and branches refer to website.

### **Place in a home compost bin or take to:**

**Middleton MRD Site**

(Operated by Purple Cow Organics)

5211 Hwy Q  
Waunakee, WI 53597

608-831-0349  
[www.purplecoworganics.com](http://www.purplecoworganics.com)

### **Curbside collection by the City of Middleton Public Works Department:**

Refer to our [current policy](#) on the City website.

### **Rent a chipper:**

**A to Z Rental**

2209 S. Stoughton Road  
Madison, WI 53716

608-222-5004  
[www.atozrentall.com/](http://www.atozrentall.com/)

**Home Depot**

4550 Verona Road  
Madison, WI 53711

608-276-7922  
<https://www.homedepot.com/>

**United Rentals**

4195 Anderson Rd  
DeForest, WI 53532

608-260-9558  
<http://www.unitedrentals.com/>

### **Hire a landscape contractor or brush chipping service:**

**Boley Tree & Landscape Care, Inc.**

2305 Parview Road  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-831-5638  
<https://www.bolelytlc.com/>

**Bruce Company**

2830 Parmenter Street  
Middleton, WI 53562

608-836-7041  
[www.brucecompany.com/](http://www.brucecompany.com/)

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**Olson Toon Landscaping**

3570 Pioneer Road  
Verona, WI 53593

608-827-9401

<https://olsontoon.com/>

**Tree trunks/branches greater than 6" in diameter:**

**Cut** into 2' lengths and **leave at curb** with "free firewood" sign for anyone to pick up or post an email to Freecycle.org. (For information on Freecycle.org, see "Can It Be Used by Someone Else" on page 9.)

Fence posts, railroad ties, and other wood objects, see "Construction and Demolition Debris."



## WHAT IF IT'S TOO BIG TO FIT IN MY CART?

### Large items and some special types of trash (like construction waste) will not be picked up with your curbside and trash pickups.

These items include:

Furniture  
Large Appliances  
Tires  
Roofing

Siding  
Basement Cleanouts  
Construction/Demolition/Remodeling Waste  
Miscellaneous Large Items

Please consider whether your bulky items could be reused or recycled by others; you may save money and may even get a tax deduction, and your items will be kept out of a landfill. See page 11 for "Can It Be Used by Someone Else" options or the "A to Z Recycling Guide" beginning on page 15.

### BULKY ITEMS

You can arrange for a special pickup of your bulk items by Pellitteri Waste Systems. Below is a partial list of items that Pellitteri will pick up for a fee. A complete listing is available on the Pellitteri website at [www.pellitteri.com](http://www.pellitteri.com). Make a list of the items you want to discard, including the type of material(s) from which the items are made. Then contact Pellitteri at 608-257-4285 to prepay the fee, receive special instructions and schedule the pickup date.

<b>Box Spring</b>	<b>Mattress</b>
<b>Construction &amp; Demolition Waste (per yard)</b>	<b>Microwave</b>
<b>Car Tire with Rim</b>	<b>Sofa/Sleeper Sofa/Loveseat</b>
<b>Car Tire without Rim</b>	<b>TV (up to 19")</b>
<b>Carpet-1 dry roll (2 x 4 ea)</b>	<b>TV (19"-36")</b>
<b>Gas Grill (NO PROPANE TANKS)</b>	<b>TV (37" and over)</b>
<b>Hot Water Heater</b>	<b>Additional Trash, per cubic yard</b>

### LARGE APPLIANCES

Under state law, all large appliances (microwave ovens, stoves, refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, dishwashers, air conditioners, furnaces, dehumidifiers, etc.) are banned from landfill disposal. Federal and state law requires that hazardous materials contained in appliances be removed prior to recycling. Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and water coolers contain refrigerants, such as ozone-depleting freon, which must be removed by a professional. In addition, these and other appliances contain compressor and transmission oils and components which may contain mercury and PCBs. The refrigerants, oil and other hazardous materials must be removed by a trained professional.

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**Purchase your new appliance from a retail store.** Check with your sales person for disposal of your old appliance.

### If appliance works and is less than 10 years old:

Contact a charitable organization or a used appliance store:

St. Vincent de Paul Society

213 S Klein Street

608-278-2920

## WHAT IF IT'S TOO BIG TO FIT IN MY CART?

	Waunakee, WI 53597 6301 Odana Road Madison, WI 53719	608-278-2920 ext. 399 <a href="http://www.svdpmadison.org">www.svdpmadison.org</a>
Habitat ReStore East	4207 Monona Drive Madison, WI 53716	608-661-2813 <a href="http://www.restoredane.org">www.restoredane.org</a>
Habitat ReStore West	5906 Odana Road Madison, WI	608-442-9919 <a href="http://www.restoredane.org">www.restoredane.org</a>

### If appliance does not work or is more than 10 years old:

Contact one of the vendors listed below:

Pellitteri Waste Systems	There is a fee for this service.	Call 608-257-4285 to arrange for curbside collection.
All Metal Recycling	1802 S Park Street Madison, WI 53713	608-255-0960
Gary's Appliance Repair	4802 Dutch Mill Road Madison, WI 53716	608-221-1150
Guy - Girl in the Truck	There is a fee for this service.	608-209-5977 <a href="mailto:guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com">guyintheredtruck@hotmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:ron@worldofron.com">ron@worldofron.com</a>
1-800-GOT-JUNK	There is a fee for this service.	1-800-468-5865 <a href="http://www.1800gotjunk.com/madison">www.1800gotjunk.com/madison</a>

Additional appliance disposal information can be found at:

[www.countyofdane.com/pwht/recycle/recycle\\_categories.aspx](http://www.countyofdane.com/pwht/recycle/recycle_categories.aspx)



## IS MY ITEM HAZARDOUS?

### ELECTRONICS

Nationally, an estimated 10-15 million computers are discarded annually. In Dane County, 15 to 25 thousand are discarded each year. Computers contain toxic and hazardous materials, including lead, cadmium, mercury and flame retardants. These materials must be kept out of our landfill to protect our groundwater. On October 23, 2009, a bill (2009 Wisconsin Act 50) was signed into law in Wisconsin that bans the landfilling or incineration of computers, televisions and printers.

The A to Z Recycling Guide contains a list of places on pages 22-23 that will either reuse or recycle old electronics including computers and TVs.

### EXPLOSIVES

Explosives include ammunition, flares, and fireworks. **Do not put these items in your Brown Trash Cart (weekly).** Call the Dane County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad Technician at 608-255-2345 for information about proper disposal.

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Leftover paints, pesticides, household cleaners, automotive fluids and products, household and rechargeable batteries, fluorescent lamps and other common items we have or use in our homes and at work can be harmful and hazardous. These products often contain chemicals that are poisonous, toxic, corrosive or flammable; they may contaminate the environment when poured on the soil, down a household or storm drain, or dumped in the garbage.

The Clean Sweep Program provides an opportunity for residents of Dane County to safely dispose of household hazardous materials, free of charge. High-quality, usable products brought to Clean Sweep are offered free of charge at Clean Sweep's Product Exchange. The facility, located at 7102 US Hwy 12 in Madison, across from the Yahara Hills Golf Course at the Dane County Landfill. The facility is open from 7:00 am to 2:45 pm on Tuesday – Friday, and from 8:00 am to 10:45 am on Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Holidays. To confirm the hours of operation and for additional information, call 608-838-3212 or visit [www.danecountycleansweep.com](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com).

#### Trip Fee:

Dane County Households & Farms:

For 2023 the fee is \$15.00 per trip for all household hazardous waste and electronics. The fee for a television or computer monitor is \$15/each.

*Dane County Clean Sweep reserves the right to impose additional fees for large quantities of materials or loads from multiple households. Customers with large load are urged to call 608-838-3212 in advance to determine the applicability of any additional fees.*

All items taken to Clean Sweep require special handling and disposal. For specific information about how to properly dispose of these hazardous wastes, please contact the Dane County Clean Sweep Program at 608-838-3212 or visit [www.danecountycleansweep.com](http://www.danecountycleansweep.com).

### HOUSEHOLD MEDICAL WASTE (aka SHARPS)

Household medical waste (aka "sharps") includes items such as needles, syringes, and lancets. **IT IS ILLEGAL TO PUT SHARPS IN THE TRASH OR WITH RECYCLABLES.** Sharps are a health hazard to trash collectors, recyclers, and landfill employees who can be punctured and exposed to infectious diseases. All needle stick injuries require workers to undergo testing, pose serious risk to disease, and can cause long-term emotional stress. State regulations require that sharps be safely packaged and treated before they can be put in a landfill.





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**All household medical sharps must be placed in an approved sharps container for disposal and taken to a sharps drop-off station for disposal.** Approved red sharps disposal containers are available at most pharmacies and clinics. All containers should be visibly labeled with the words "biohazard," "infectious waste," "sharps," or the bio-hazard emblem. Store the container out of the reach of children. See "Sharps" on page 27 for sharps drop-off stations in Middleton. You should contact the facility directly for the requirements of their program before bringing them your medical sharps. You can also call your local DNR office (608-275-3298) or the American Diabetes Association (1-800-342-2383) for locations of registered sharps collection stations.