

Recycle Information

The following list offers some additional options for recycling materials in Carteret County. Any business listed is not endorsed by Carteret County, but is strictly provided as an informational service.

Aluminum Scrap & Siding - Residents and businesses can bring aluminum scrap and siding along with other metals for cash (payment by the pound) to J & E Salvage; 2012 Blue Creek Road; Jacksonville, NC (910-347-5865). Painted metal, Copper, Radiators, Brass, Alternators, Transmissions and Ammo Boxes are just a few of the items they will purchase.

Antifreeze - Residents can recycle used antifreeze during the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day each year. Check under Hazardous Waste for time and place. Disposing of used antifreeze and other automotive fluids (used motor oil, transmission and brake fluids) in storm drains (sewers) or drainage ditches is harmful to our waterways. Antifreeze, particularly the ethylene glycol type, when poured out or spilled on the ground can be highly toxic to animals and its sweet taste attracts them. Spent antifreeze may also contain heavy metals such as lead, cadmium and benzene.

Appliances - Small household appliances in WORKING condition can be brought to area thrift shops:

- Beaufort Historical Association Thrift Shop (252) 728-4055
- Caroline's Collectibles (252) 726-2336
- Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity Store (252) 223-4493
- PAWS Thrift Shop (252) 247-3341
- St. Andrews' Episcopal Thrift Shop (252) 726-4747
(252) 726-7516
- St. James United Methodist Church Thrift Shop (252) 223-3186
- Second Blessing Thrift Store (252) 726-7921
- The Hem of His Garment (910) 326-1811
- The Salvation Army (252) 726-2100

Large appliances- such as washing machines and refrigerators can be taken to the County Solid Waste Convenience Sites that receive White Goods for recycling. Second Blessing Thrift Store and The Salvation Army will also take larger appliances in WORKING condition.

Asphalt - Small amounts of asphalt or concrete will be taken at some county sites such as: Hibbs Rd, West Firetower Rd and Otway.

Ballasts- Fluorescent and high-intensity discharge (HID) ballasts contain a small capacitor that may contain PCB's or DEPH. Residents can bring ballasts to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Businesses that wish to properly dispose of fluorescent and HID ballasts should visit the Directory of Markets for Recycled Materials, provided by the Division of Pollution Prevention

and Environmental Assistance at www.p2pays.org/DMRM/start.aspx, for a list of companies that manage ballasts.

For more information on regulations regarding fluorescent and HID disposal, contact Anne Preston (919-508-8599) of the North Carolina Department of the Environment and Natural Resources, Hazardous Waste Section.

Bar and Restaurant Recycling– Visit: <http://www.landofsky.org/> This is a site for bar and restaurant owners, managers and employees who want to establish and operate successful recycling programs.

Batteries- County residents can bring lead-acid batteries to Carteret County Solid Waste Convenience Sites that receive batteries for recycling.

Best Buy (726-8238) and Staples (726-2666) in Morehead City provides a recycle bin for household batteries. For a list of other companies that manage Household, Lithium, Nickel Cadmium, Nickel Metal Hydride and Zinc Carbon batteries, visit:

<http://www.p2pays.org/DMRM/start.aspx>

Books- Soft cover books can be recycled with mixed paper at some Carteret County Solid Waste Convenience Sites. Hard cover books must have the covers removed, and then the interior pages can be recycled with mixed paper. Reusable books in good condition can be brought to The Book Shop, Morehead City (240-1163) and many other Thrift Shops (listed above, under appliances).

Building Materials- Building Materials or Construction & Demolition debris can be taken to the Newport Transfer Station off of Hibbs Road. There is a tipping fee. The location and schedule are as follows:

Newport Transfer Station
Coastal Environmental Partnership
800 Hibbs Rd., Newport, NC
252-223-3321
Open M-F 7:00AM-4:30PM
Open Sat. 7:00AM-12:00PM
Closed Sunday

Accepts usable building materials and offers tear out services:

Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity Resale Store (252) 223-4493
Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM; *Closed Sunday*
5898 Hwy 70 West
Newport, NC 28570

Small quantities of residential demolition waste "C&D" will be accepted at convenience sites in Otway, Hibbs Road and Highway 58.

Carpet/Carpet Pads- Good, clean carpet will be accepted at:

Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity Resale Store (252) 223-4493
Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM; *Closed Sunday*
5898 Hwy 70 West
Newport, NC 28570

Chemicals- Residents should bring Household Chemicals to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Clothing- Most Thrift shops accepts clothing, check the Yellow Pages or contact the following:

- Beaufort Historical Association Thrift Shop (252) 728-4055
- Caroline's Collectibles (252) 726-2336
- PAWS Thrift Shop (252) 247-3341
- St. Andrews' Episcopal Thrift Shop (252) 726-4747 or (252) 726-7516
- St. James United Methodist Church Thrift Shop (252) 223-3186
- Second Blessing Thrift Store (252) 726-7921
- The Hem of His Garment (910) 326-1811
- The Salvation Army (252) 726-2100

Coat Hangers- Most dry-cleaners accept wire coat hangers for recycling or reuse.

Computer Equipment- County residents should contact area computer dealers. Most area computer dealers will accept donated computers that are less than five (5) years old. Check "Computer Dealers" listed in the Yellow Pages.

Corrugated Cardboard- Recycle at many County Solid Waste Convenience Sites.

Fire Extinguishers- Households may bring fire extinguishers to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Businesses should consider purchasing rechargeable and serviceable fire extinguishers instead of cheaper "disposable" fire extinguishers. While a fire extinguisher that is rechargeable costs more in the beginning, over time a quality rechargeable fire extinguisher with a metal head will likely save you money.

Fluorescent Bulbs- These lights may contain mercury, a hazardous material. Residents can bring them to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. Do not break fluorescent tubes.

Businesses and institutions are required by law to recycle fluorescent lamps if they produce more than a certain amount per year. For a list of companies that manage fluorescent lights and other mercury containing items, visit the Directory of Markets for Recycled Materials, provided by the Division of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance at www.p2pays.org/DMRM/start.aspx

There are mercury-free fluorescent lamps now available through Phillips and other

manufacturers.

Furniture- Reusable furniture in good condition can be donated to some Thrift stores or to:

- Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity Resale Store (252) 223-4493

Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM; *Closed Sunday*

5898 Hwy 70 West

Newport, NC 28570

Magazines- Recycle glossy magazines at many County Solid Waste Convenience Sites. Check with your physician's office, health clubs, and local elementary schools to see if they can reuse your magazines.

Metal/Scrap Metal- Most Carteret County sites accepts scrap metal and white goods.

Mercury Containing Materials- Common household items such as fluorescent bulbs, thermostats and thermometers can contain mercury. Residents should bring these items to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Businesses that wish to properly dispose of materials containing mercury should visit the Directory of Markets for Recycled Materials, provided by the Division of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance, at www.p2pays.org/DMRM/start.aspx, for a list of companies.

Businesses and other organizations can call Anne Preston (919-733-0692 ext. 230) of the North Carolina Department of the Environment and Natural Resources, Hazardous Waste Section for more information on regulations regarding materials containing mercury.

Mixed Paper- Mixed paper, such as junk mail (envelopes included), office paper, notebooks (bindings removed), cereal boxes (liner removed), 6 and 12-pack boxes and other paper packaging (without waxy or plastic coating) can be recycled at many Carteret County Solid Waste Convenience Sites.

Motor Oil - Recycle at some County Solid Waste Convenience Sites.

Oil/Motor Oil - Recycle at some County Solid Waste Convenience Sites.

Contaminated or mixed oil: Noble Oil Co. (800) 662-5364

Aluminum Cans, Paper, Plastic, Plastic Containers, Steel Cans, etc.- Recycle at some Carteret County Waste Convenience Sites (check table on previous page). Minimize plastic bags use by bringing a string or canvas bag with you when you shop. Reuse all bags. Please recycle plastic grocery bags and plastic newspaper bags at your grocery store. Some fruit and vegetable stands will take them for reuse.

Pesticides- Reduce the amount of hazardous waste you use and try buying less toxic products. Contact the NC Cooperative Extension Service (252) 222-6352 to find out how to get rid of pests while keeping your environment clean. Household insecticides and pesticides are accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Syringes- There is no local program for recycling used syringes. Dispose of syringes in a secure plastic container such as a plastic peanut butter jar or laundry detergent bottle with lid screwed on tightly and place in the regular trash.

Tires, White Goods, Yard Waste- Recycle at some County Solid Waste Convenience Sites (check table on previous page).