



## HOW DO I GET RID OF IT?

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

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

Questions? Call Solid Waste at 464-7500.

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

### Cartridges

*used (spent) inkjet or laser toner cartridges used for office machinery including printers, photocopiers, or fax machines*



**These are hazardous waste. Do NOT dispose with regular trash!**

1. **Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC<sub>3</sub> facility](#) for recycling (free for residents).
2. **Drop off** at a school for recycling. Check with your local school since many raise money by collecting cartridges. For information on school programs, contact [Hands On Recycling](#) (251-9367).
3. **Drop off** at a local store for recycling:
  - a) Staples – Accepts all brands and offers \$3 each in Staples Rewards<sup>®</sup> ([locations](#)).
  - b) Office Depot – Accepts HP, Dell, Lexmark, or Office Depot brands only and offers \$3 each in Recycling Rewards<sup>®</sup> ([locations](#)).
  - c) Best Buy – Accepts inkjet cartridges only in drop box in store entryway ([locations](#))
  - d) Walgreens photo counter – Accepts inkjet cartridges only. Offers incentives such as a coupon for 10 free prints ([locations](#) – NOTE: only the stores that offer inkjet refills accept cartridges).
4. *Safety Harbor residents:* **Drop off** for recycling at Safety Harbor Public Works, 1200 Railroad Ave., 724-1550 (free for residents).
5. **Pick up** a postage-paid pre-addressed envelope at a local [PetSmart](#) store to recycle inkjet cartridges (not laser) or cell phones to benefit homeless pets.
6. **Mail** back to the manufacturer. If there is no postage-paid mailing label inside the cartridge box, you can print one from their Web site, such as:
  - a) [Canon](#)
  - b) [Dell](#)
  - c) [Hewlett-Packard](#) (HP)
  - d) [Ricoh](#)
  - e) [Samsung](#)
  - f) [Xerox](#)
7. **Mail** inkjet cartridges to a charity using a postage-paid mailer. You can find opportunities on the Internet, or locally (such as [Big Cat Rescue](#), 813-920-4130, e-mail [ink@bigcatrescue.org](mailto:ink@bigcatrescue.org)).

*This guide is provided as a service for our residents. A listing does not constitute an endorsement by Pinellas County.*

*The listing is not all-inclusive or exclusive, and is subject to change. Contact the organizations listed to verify program details.*

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8. **Mail** to a recycling fundraising company that offers free collection boxes, postage-paid shipping labels, and cash incentives. Many schools and nonprofits raise money by recycling cartridges and/or cell phones.
  - a) [Planet Green Recycle](#)
  - b) [Advantage Cartridge](#)
  - c) [Office Depot](#)
  - d) Type “cartridge recycling” in your favorite search engine for others.
  
9. **Business options:**
  - a) **See** options listed above.
  - b) **Drop off** cartridges (no charge) at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or an [EnviroBusiness Day](#) event.
  - c) **Contact** an [Electronics Recycling and Disposal Company](#).
  - d) **Contact** a local business which accepts used cartridges:

Name	Address	City	Phone	Laser & inkjet cartridges	Drop-off & pick-up*
Carrco	13191 - 56 <sup>th</sup> Ct. N.	St. Petersburg	572-8866	Yes	Yes
Discount Toner	228 - 11 <sup>th</sup> Ave., S.W.	Largo	581-7738	Yes	Yes
Good Earth Company of Tampa Bay	P.O. Box 18184	Tampa	813-831-8581	Yes	Pick-up only
<a href="#">Hands On Recycling</a> <i>(funds donated to schools)</i>	1397 - 88 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N.	St. Petersburg	251-9367	Yes	Pick-up only
Malvern Group Cartridge Services	2066 Weaver Pk. Dr.	Clearwater	446-1469	Yes	Yes
<a href="#">Martech/Miller</a>	7273 Bryan Dairy Rd.	Largo	547-0877	Laser only	Yes
One Source Technology	6454 - 126 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N.	Largo	531-1458	Laser only	Yes
Pinellas Office Machine	1492 Missouri Ave. S.	Clearwater	446-4825	HP and Canon laser only	Yes
Top Notch Toner	720 Virginia Ave.	Palm Harbor	785-4992	Laser only	Yes

**\*Pick-up service is for large quantities only.**

*NOTE: The options listed above are for toner cartridges. Toner that is inside a bottle is not easily recyclable. If the manufacturer provides a prepaid mailing label, send the empty toner bottle back to them for recycling. If not, you can dispose used toner bottles in the regular trash. You cannot recycle toner bottles with other plastic bottles since there are metallic elements inside the bottle to disperse the toner.*