



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.

Batteries – vehicle

lead acid batteries found in vehicles including cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, scooters, wheelchairs, golf carts, riding lawn mowers, and children’s riding toys



These are hazardous waste. Do NOT dispose with regular trash! Under Florida law, it is illegal to dispose lead acid batteries in the trash.

- Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC₃ facility](#) for recycling (free for residents). Place the battery in a plastic-lined box to protect your vehicle.
- Recycle** at an automotive parts retailer for no charge (such as Walmart, Autozone, NAPA, Advance Auto Parts, Bumper to Bumper, CarQuest, etc.):
 - You actually save \$10-\$12 by turning in your old battery when you buy a new one. This is a state “core charge” to discourage people from trashing vehicle batteries. You pay this fee only if you don’t turn in your old battery.
 - Most auto parts retailers accept an old vehicle battery for no charge even if you aren’t buying a new one.
- Drop off** at a battery store for free recycling. The following accept lead acid vehicle batteries. The cash back amount varies according to current market prices.

Name	Address	City	Phone	Cost
Batteries Plus	28560 US Hwy. 19 N.	Clearwater	726-0228	Free
Batteries Plus	13002 Seminole Blvd., Suite 1	Largo	586-4357	Free
Batteries Plus	6480 Park Blvd. N.	Pinellas Park	545-9298	Free
County Sanitation	5601 Haines Rd. N.	St. Petersburg	522-5794	Free, plus \$3 each cash back
Current Devices	10590 - 66 th Ave. N.	Seminole	398-6559	Free
D & D Battery	12735 Starkey Rd.	Largo	535-1044	Free
Electro Battery	3138 - 23 rd Ave. N.	St. Petersburg	323-4848	Free, plus \$5 each cash back
Interstate Batteries	11900 - 66 th St. N.	Largo	538-9334	Free, plus \$5 each cash back
Johnson Battery	9470 Ulmerton Rd.	Largo	581-9087	Free, plus \$8 each cash back
Mobile Batteries	Pickup only		321-5025	Free pickup for 5 or more, plus \$2 each cash back
Safe Start Batteries	12045 - 34 th St. N.	Clearwater	572-7731	Free, plus \$5 each cash back
St. Pete Battery World	2705 - 54 th Ave. N.	St. Petersburg	526-2200	Free
UPSystems	12545 - 44 th St. N.	Clearwater	(813) 854-4439	Free. Call first. Limited pickup.



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Vehicle Batteries *continued*

4. *St. Petersburg residents or businesses:* The City of St. Petersburg offers **free pickup** of vehicle batteries within city limits. To schedule a pickup, call 893-7398 from Mon.-Fri. 7:30am-4pm.
5. **Drop off** at [OC Management](#), 200 Tower Dr., Suite C, Oldsmar M-F 9am-4pm for free recycling (813-855-2233). Free pickup is available for large quantities.

Also see:

[Alkaline batteries](#)

[Button cell batteries](#)

[Rechargeable batteries](#)