



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.

Thermostats

*wall-mounted devices used for regulating temperature
of a home heating system*



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

* Older thermostats with a dial contain a small glass tube of liquid mercury which is hazardous. Newer digital thermostats do not contain mercury but are still considered hazardous due to heavy metal content in the circuit board.

1. **Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC₃ facility](#) (free for residents).
2. **Drop off** at a [Thermostat Recycling Corporation site](#) for free recycling. Type your zip code to find a local collection site. There are at least ten heating and air conditioning distributors in Pinellas County that accept thermostats:
 - a) Must contain mercury (dial-style, not digital)
 - b) Must be whole, non-leaking and have an attached cover
3. **Business options:**
 - a) **Drop off** (for a [fee](#)) at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or an [EnviroBusiness Day](#) event at the HEC₃ facility.
 - b) **Recycle** using a mail-in program (fee varies), such as:
 - [Air Cycle](#)
 - [Heritage Environmental](#)
 - [Partners in Planet Protection](#)
 - c) **Contact** a [Chemical Recycling and Disposal Company](#).

Also see: [Thermometers](#)