



# 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.

### Smoke Detectors

*battery-operated or electrical device used to warn occupants of smoke*



**These are hazardous waste. Do NOT dispose with regular trash!  
Never break open a smoke detector!**

1. **Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC<sub>3</sub> facility](#) for recycling (free for residents).
2. **Return** an old or defective smoke detector to the manufacturer:
  - a) Many smoke detectors are hazardous due to a small amount of radioactive material (Americium 241) inside. The material is not harmful unless the device is opened, so do not take a smoke detector apart.
  - b) Manufacturers are required by law to accept detectors for disposal as hazardous waste.
  - c) Look for the manufacturer information on the bottom or inside of the detector, or in the instruction/warranty materials.
  - d) If you can't find an address or phone number on your detector, look for the brand name. Mail the smoke detector to the manufacturer using ground mail (not airmail):

Brand Name	Company	Mailing Address	Phone
American Sensors	<a href="#">Dicon Global</a>	88B East Beaver Creek Rd., Suite 6 Richmondhill, Ontario, Canada, L4B4W2	1-800-387-4219
BRK	<a href="#">First Alert</a>	Customer Service Disposal, 3901 Liberty St. Rd., Aurora, IL 60504	1-800-323-9005
Code One	<a href="#">Invensys Controls</a>	"For Disposal Only", 28C Leigh Fisher Blvd., El Paso, TX 79906	1-800-445-8299
Dicon Global	<a href="#">Dicon Global</a>	88B East Beaver Creek Rd., Suite 6 Richmondhill, Ontario, Canada, L4B4W2	1-800-387-4219
Firex	<a href="#">Invensys Controls</a>	"For Disposal Only", 28C Leigh Fisher Blvd., El Paso, TX 79906	1-800-445-8299
First Alert	<a href="#">First Alert</a>	Customer Service Disposal, 3901 Liberty St. Rd., Aurora, IL 60504	1-800-323-9005
Garrison	<a href="#">Dicon Global</a>	88B East Beaver Creek Rd., Suite 6 Richmondhill, Ontario, Canada, L4B4W2	1-800-387-4219
Gentex	<a href="#">Gentex</a>	"For Disposal Only", 10985 Chicago Dr., Zeeland, MI 49464. "For Returns", 600 N. Centennial St., Zeeland, MI 49464	1-800-436-8391



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Brand Name	Company	Mailing Address	Phone
Honeywell	<a href="#">Honeywell</a>	Returns, 1885 Douglas Dr. N., Dock 4 (MN10), Golden Valley, MN 55422	1-800-328-5111
Kidde	<a href="#">Kidde</a>	1394 S. Third St., Mebane, NC 27302	1-800-880-6788
LifeSaver	<a href="#">Kidde</a>	1394 S. Third St., Mebane, NC 27302	1-800-880-6788
Masterguard	<a href="#">Masterguard</a>	801 Hammond St., #200, Coppell, TX 75019	1-877-453-3473
Nighthawk	<a href="#">Kidde</a>	1394 S. Third St., Mebane, NC 27302	1-800-880-6788
North-American	<a href="#">Dicon Global</a>	88B East Beaver Creek Rd., Suite 6 Richmondhill, Ontario, Canada, L4B4W2	1-800-387-4219
System Sensor	<a href="#">System Sensor</a>	3825 Ohio Ave., St. Charles, IL 60174 ( <i>\$3 fee per smoke detector</i> )	1-800-736-7672

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