

Metro is checking for contaminated Curby carts

<https://www.nashville.gov/Public-Works/Neighborhood-Services/Recycling.aspx>

Metro Public Works employees are auditing recycling routes and placing [oops tags/stickers](#) on recycling carts that have contamination.

They will not empty a recycling cart that has an oops tag on it.

If you get an Oops Tag, here's what you need to do:

The Oops Tag will tell you what items are not accepted and need to be removed from your recycling cart.

Call [hubNashville](#) at 311 once you have removed contaminants to request an additional recycling pickup.

Metro will take your Curby cart for the following reasons:

- If contamination is found two months in a row or on and off over several months
- Any recycling cart being used for trash will be removed without prior notice
- Any recycling carts that are still contaminated after resident reported the contamination was removed

Reuse

- CDs and DVDs and Blu-ray disks are not recyclable but you can donate them to a library. (no audio cassettes, VHS tapes or vinyl records)
- Hardback, paperback and spiral books are not recyclable but you can donate them to a library. (no textbooks)
- Clothing is not recyclable but you can donate them to Goodwill or a thrift store.

Electronic waste can be taken to these three metro drop off locations

<https://www.nashville.gov/Public-Works/Neighborhood-Services/Special-Hazardous-Waste/Electronic-Waste-Recycling.aspx>

[East Center](#)

943A Doctor Richard G. Adams Drive
Nashville, TN 37207

[Ezell Pike Center](#)

3254 Ezell Pike (Located on Ezell Pike behind the South Police Precinct 5113 Harding Place
Nashville, TN 37211

[Omohundro](#)

1019 Omohundro Place (entrance on Freightliner Drive)
Nashville, TN 37210

Acceptable Electronics

- Cellular Phones
- Computers (limit one computer system per month)
- Computer components (cables, keyboards, mice, hubs, external drives, peripherals, etc.),
- Copiers
- DVD/VCR Players
- E-Book Readers
- Fax Machines
- Hand-held Electronics
- Monitors
- MP3 Players
- Printers
- Tablets
- Televisions
- Microwaves
- Music/Video Cassettes and Disks
- Pagers

- Radios
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Scanners
- Stereos
- Smart Phones

Unacceptable Electronics

- Electronics from any type of business or commercial use
- Truck or trailer loads of electronics
- Any electronic waste in commercial or work vehicles.
- Any electronic waste from out of county residents.

Household hazardous waste can be taken to these two metro drop off locations

<https://www.nashville.gov/Public-Works/Neighborhood-Services/Special-Hazardous-Waste/Household-Hazardous-Waste.aspx>

Ezell Pike Convenience Center

3254 Ezell Pike (Located on Ezell Pike behind the South Police Precinct)

For GPS purposes use: 5113 Harding Place

Nashville, TN 37211

East Center

943A Doctor Richard G. Adams Drive

Nashville, TN 37207

Acceptable hazardous items

- Adhesives
- Antifreeze
- Bleach
- Brake fluid
- Car wax and cleaners
- Caulk
- CFL's (compact fluorescent lamps, bulbs or tubes)
- Cooking grease
- Detergent
- Drain opener
- Flea collars
- Fluorescent tubes and compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Gasoline
- Household batteries
- Household cleaners
- Insect repellent
- Insecticide
- Lead-acid batteries
- Lighter fluid
- Mothballs
- Motor oil
- Oil based paint
- Oven cleaner
- Paint thinner
- Pesticides
- Pet spray and dip

- Pool chemicals
- Rat and mouse poison
- Shoe polish
- Spot remover
- Stain
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Transmission fluid
- Tub and tile cleaner
- Varnish
- Weed killer
- Windshield wiper fluid

Unacceptable hazardous Items

- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Industrial, commercial or business generated hazardous waste
- Latex and/or acrylic paint ([safe ways to dispose of unwanted latex paint](#))
- Water based stains
- Medical waste (needles can be put inside red medical sharp containers or two liter bottles with the lid and placed in your trash container).
- [Unused or expired medications](#)
- Any household hazardous waste in commercial or work vehicles.
- Any household hazardous waste from out of county residents.
- Any household hazardous waste over 15 gallons or 100 pounds per household/month.

Rechargeable Batteries but not regular batteries can be recycled at

- Home Depot
- Lowes
- Metro Electronic drop-off locations

Dispose of Unused or Expired Pharmaceuticals

<https://www.nashville.gov/Public-Works/Neighborhood-Services/Special-Hazardous-Waste/Pharmaceuticals.aspx>

Disposal at Metro Police Precincts

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

1. [North Precinct](#) - 2231 26th Avenue North
2. [South Precinct](#) - 5101 Harding Place
3. [East Precinct](#) - 936 E. Trinity Lane
4. [West Precinct](#) - 5500 Charlotte Pike
5. [Hermitage Precinct](#) - 3701 James Kay Lane
6. [Madison Precinct](#) - 430 Myatt Drive
7. [Central Precinct](#) - 601 Korean Veterans Boulevard
8. [Midtown Hills Precinct](#) – 1443 12th Avenue South

Available 24 hours a day / 7 days a week at Police Headquarters - 3055 Lebanon Pike

Acceptable Pharmaceuticals

1. Prescriptions
2. Over the counter medications
3. Pet medications

4. Medicated ointment, lotions or drops
5. Liquid medications (in leak-proof containers)
6. Inhalers
7. Pills in any packaging (glass bottles, plastic containers, plastic bags, etc.)

Unacceptable Pharmaceuticals

1. Illegal drugs and narcotics (although police will accept these items if placed in the container)
2. Sharps/needles - Metro Public Health recommends following EPA guidelines for disposing of used needles, syringes and other sharps at home
3. Blood sugar equipment
4. Thermometers
5. IV bags
6. Bloody or infectious waste
7. Personal care products (shampoo, lotions, etc)

Safe At-Home Disposal

Do not flush or pour medications down the drain!

1. Remove medication from original packaging and mix with an undesirable substance (kitty litter or used coffee grounds)
2. Place the mixture in a bag and throw in your trash container
3. Remove and destroy any personal information on the empty medicine container and throw it in your trash container or take the empty medicine containers to a creative reuse center, such as [Turnip Green Creative Reuse](#).