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Town Adds Electronics to Menu of Recyclables

New Service Begins on January 22nd for Town residents

Beginning on January 22nd, Town residents can dispose of nearly all unwanted electronics at the Town Recycling Center. The addition of electronics fills the biggest gap in the Town's menu of recycling services.

The following devices will be accepted at the Recycling Center at no charge, except as noted below:

Computers & Peripherals

All desktop & laptop computers
Computer monitors
Printers (inkjet, laser, thermal transfer, dot matrix)
Ink and toner cartridges
Scanners
Keyboards, Mice & Speakers
Hard Drives & Network Hubs
UPS and power conditioning equipments
Cables, power supplies and memory devices

Consumer Electronics

TVs (fee: \$25 each)
Stereo equipment
VCR & DVD players
Camcorders and cameras
Digital cameras
Cellular, cordless & corded phones
Microwave ovens
Game consoles & handheld electronic games
Batteries (rechargeable and lithium)
Copiers less than 75 lbs.

The Town Board unanimously approved a contract with Midwest Computer Recyclers (MCR) on January 7th to assist in the recycling of these devices. There is no cost to the Town for this service, except a \$25 disposal fee for each television, which will be passed along to the resident. Residents should obtain a television sticker from Town Hall (Mondays-Fridays 8am-4:30pm) or the Recycling Center (Thursdays after 4:30pm & Saturdays) prior to disposal. There are a few items MCR will not accept, including refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners, or copiers over seventy-five pounds. However, the Town will continue to accept these appliances, except copying machines, for a fee in the public works yard. In addition, the \$15 resident fee for microwave ovens will no longer be collected because MCR will process them for free.

The commencement of this new service is ideal for residents looking to dispose of their analog televisions. Beginning on February 17th, television stations nationwide will stop using analog and begin broadcasting exclusively in a digital format. Residents who get their television signals via an antenna will lose their picture if their TV is not digital-ready.

Prior to accepting electronics at the Recycling Center, the only local option to properly dispose of many of these devices was a Veolia facility in Port Washington that charged a fee based on weight.

This new service will not only be convenient for Town residents, but will also help protect the environment. Devices such as computers, TVs, and cell phones often contain hazardous materials such as lead, cadmium and mercury. If not recycled or disposed of properly, their hazardous ingredients could eventually leach into local groundwater supplies.

Town of Cedarburg, Wisconsin

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