



Electronic waste recycling

Australians dispose of over 100,000 tonnes of computers, computer equipment and televisions each year – that's around 5kg per person. These products, as well as mobile phones and other household appliances, contain valuable materials including precious metals like gold and platinum, plastics, glass and lead. The good news is that e-waste is more than 95 per cent recyclable.

E-waste recycling day

The City of Melbourne is holding an e-waste recycling day on Saturday 26 October 2013 when you can drop off your electrical and electronic waste and we will recycle it for free! Visit [E-waste recycling day](#) for full details.

Handy hints for recycling your e-waste:

If your items are still in working order you might be able to find a new home for them. For more information, visit [reuse](#).

Televisions and computers: The National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme provides Australian householders and small business with access to free recycling services for televisions, computers, printers and computer products (such as keyboards, mice and hard drives). Visit [Sustainability Victoria](#) to find your nearest drop off point.

Mobile phones: Recycling your old phone has never been so easy. Call City of Melbourne on 03 9658 9658 or [complete your details in the online form](#) and we will send you a pre-paid satchel for you to use to recycle your phone. Mobile phones can also be recycled at most mobile phone shops and a variety of other locations. Visit [Mobile Muster](#) to find your nearest drop off location.

Ipods, mobile phones and computers can be recycled through the Apple Recycling Program. For more information visit [Apple Recycling](#).

Batteries can be recycled through the state government's [BatteryBack](#) program. Batteries can be dropped at Michaels Camera & Video, corner Elizabeth and Lonsdale streets.

Printer cartridges can be recycled at a range of retail stores under the [Cartridges for Planet Ark](#) recycling program. To find your nearest recycling location, visit Planet Ark's [Recycling Near You](#) website or call 1800 242 473.

[Phoenix Fridges](#) will collect **old fridges** in any condition. They repair and retrofit fridges to make them more energy efficient and decommission fridges that are no longer useful. Visit their website or call 1300 366 283 to book a collection.

Search for **other options** to recycle computers and electronic equipment on Planet Ark's [Recycling Near You](#) website.

Return to [Waste, recycling and noise](#).