

SAFETY ALERT

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BATTERY RECYCLING- UNIVERSAL WASTE

Do not throw used batteries in the regular trash. The EHS Waste Management Group provides green collection buckets in the building hallways for collection of the following types of used batteries:

- Alkaline (standard 1.5, 6, 9 volt)
- Nickel-Cadmium (NiCad) rechargeable type
- Nickel Metal Hydride
- Lead Acid- rechargeable
- Lithium- button type

Place your batteries in the green collection bucket. The buckets are emptied by EHS once per quarter or as needed. Only batteries should be placed in the green buckets. Place tape over the terminals of 9V batteries. Other items such as light bulbs, bulging lithium batteries, leaking lead acid batteries, mercury switches, and computer parts present safety hazards and should be collected elsewhere (contact the Division Safety Coordinator).

Automotive batteries (lead acid) can be sent to salvage as long as the caps are intact and the body is not damaged or cracked. Leaking lead-acid batteries are regulated as hazardous waste and must be requisitioned through the normal hazardous waste disposal process.

Further instructions are listed on the collection can. Please read before placing items into the can. Contact the Waste Management Group for further information (X5877). **PUB 3092- [Waste Generator Requirements](#)**

