

Hard to Recycle or Dispose Items and Materials

Item/Material	Disposal Options	Notes
Appliances – not working	Kreiger Recycling 50 Portland Ave., Roch. 585.232.4767 Seneca Iron & Metal Rt. 414 Seneca Falls B & B Recycling 3898 Tinney Rd., Penn Yan (315.536.6855)	No freon
Household Batteries	Alkaline Batteries are not considered hazardous waste. They can be disposed of in the regular trash. Rechargeable batteries can be taken back to the places that sell them.	https://www.thinkgreenfromhome.com/ThinkGreenFromHome.cfm Here is the link to a Waste Management website that provides collection boxes for recycling batteries. There is a cost for shipping. Another private company: www.batteryrecycling.com
Books	Libraries will sometimes accept popular books for their book sales.	The WFLA will accept books. Libraries, schools and private individuals may bring in books, both hard cover and paperback, for recycling. Please call for instructions.
CDs & DVDs See the note for magazines below.	Although cds and dvds are made of plastic, as well as the jewel cases in which they are sold, they are not accepted in the curbside recycling program. Check for sites by using the key phrases “recycling cds”. Most will accept the products, but you must pay the postage to ship them.	Here is one site: http://www.cdrecyclingforfree.com/
Cell phones	Many non-profit groups have collection programs. Wireless providers also have programs for accepting phones. Wayne County Data Processing 946.7450 Yates County Chamber of Commerce (electronics also)	Verizon stores may accept both cell phones & ink jet cartridges Local libraries, including Lyons, Marion, Newark, Ontario, Palmyra Kings Daughters Free Library, Red Creek and Sodus Victims Resource Center (331.1171 or 1.800.456.1172) DONATE A PHONE, 2555 Bishop Circle West, Dexter, MI 48130-1563 Envirocycle www.enviroinc.com Recycle First www.recyclefirst.com
Clothing hangers – plastic or metal	Wire and plastic hangers are not accepted for recycling.	Consignment shops and second-hand stores and dry cleaning establishments may accept hangers.

Computers	In Wayne County: Chips Computers, Sodus Custom Computers, Wolcott Red Suspenders, Newark Alpco Recycling, Macedon Center Jeff's Computers, Webster Micrecycle 175 Humboldt St. Rochester Gerald Frith 585.224.4040 Corporate donations: United Way Earl Lenhard 585.242.6496	For other outlets, please contact the Western Finger Lakes Authority. In Yates County: Yates County Chamber of Commerce, Penn Yan, accepts electronics and cell phones. Please call for hours: 315.536.3111 See Note on Fluorescent bulbs below.
Construction Waste	Check with your trash hauler or your local town or village.	
Copiers & home office machines	Other than computers, most home office machines are not collected for recycling.	Machines may be disposed of in the regular trash.
Corrugated Cardboard –	The WFLA accepts cardboard in its residential recycling collection. There may be some restrictions for quantity. Commercial customers should check with their trash hauler.	For those who have a one-time large quantity of cardboard, call the WFLA to get information about bringing the cardboard to the Wayne County Materials Recovery Facility.
In Wayne County corrugated cardboard should be collected for recycling by County ordinance. In Yates County corrugated cardboard must be collected for recycling from both residential and commercial trash accounts.		
Fluorescent Bulbs	Individuals may place fluorescent bulbs in their regular trash. Companies must dispose of them as a hazardous waste.	The Western Finger Lakes Authority will collect CFLs at the hazardous waste collection in fall, 2010. Yates County: Chamber of Commerce in Penn Yan. See Note on computers above.
Furniture		
Greeting cards	Boys and Girls Clubs of Rochester, Inc. 500 Genesee St. Rochester, NY 14611 484.328.3077 Continuing Developmental Services, Inc. 71 Perinton Parkway Fairport, NY 14450-9198 585.425.3780 LDA Life and Learning Services 339 East Ave., Ste. 420 Rochester, NY 14604 585.263.3323 Catholic Family Center Homeless and Housing Services 547 Joseph Av e. Rochester, NY 14605 585.423.9490	The Western Finger Lakes Authority will accept greeting cards and wrapping paper in its recycling collection. Foil/metallic wrapping should be discarded in the regular trash.
Household Hazardous	The Western Finger Lakes Authority conducts a collection day	Agricultural chemicals – Contact Cornell Cooperative Extension or

Waste – other than paint	each year. For more information, please contact the Western Finger Lakes Authority.	NYS DEC to ask if there are any agricultural chemical collections scheduled.
Magazines	<i>Ranger Rick</i> – Genesee County Nature Center News, health & beauty – Planned Parenthood – Call first. 585.546.2595 large-print magazines and others except <i>National Geographic</i> – Hill Haven nursing home educational & news magazines incl. <i>National Geographic</i> – Monroe Correctional Facility <i>Smithsonian</i> , <i>Gourmet</i> & others – Rundel Library Foundation Plus books, DVDs & audio or visual tapes	
Mercury thermometers	These will be accepted at the HHW collection. You may also be able to take the thermometers to the Monroe County Hazardous Waste Site.	Call: 585.760.7600
Mercury-containing thermostats	The Western Finger Lakes Authority accepts thermostats at its offices in Lyons. In Yates County, people may take these to the Yates County Highway Department in the Town of Benton.	The major manufacturers of thermostats have come together to form an organization to safely dispose of mercury-containing thermostats.
Office Paper	Homes - Office paper is accepted is accepted from homes in the curbside collection. Papers may be mixed with magazines and junk mail in a plastic grocery bag. Small offices – Store front businesses are often able to participate in the curbside collection program. Call for more information. Businesses – Trash haulers must provide recycling service for their commercial customers. Office paper may or may not be included in the recycling pick up.	Special Notes: Clearing out your files? There are companies who base their whole business on removing large quantities of office paper. They can provide a certificate of destruction if required.
Oil	NYS law requires that service stations that change oil in cars accept up to 5 gallons per person per day of used motor oil. The same locations may also accept other automotive fluids.	NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation administers this law. For problems or questions, please contact NYS DEC Reg. 8 585.226.2466
Paint – Latex	Latex paint is not considered hazardous. The best method of handling is to dry the paint before disposing of it in the regular trash.	

Paint – Oil-based	Oil-based paints and stains will be accepted at the Hazardous Waste Collection.	
Paper – Shredded	The Western Finger Lakes Authority accepts shredded paper with the curbside recycling.	Place clean shredded paper in a clear plastic bag, separate from other papers.
Propane Tanks	Accepts without charge both 20lb and 1lb tanks. DiSanto Jet Gas 11098 Clyde-Savannah Rd. Clyde 315.923.2951 1.800.752.4574 Burnwell Gas Rt. 370 & Rt. 104 Red Creek 315.754.6297	In Yates County: B & B recycling will accept propane tanks if the valve is removed.
Sharps – used syringes & lancets	Used sharps may be placed in a durable container with a tight lid. Coffee cans and detergent or fabric softener bottles work well. When the container is full, put the cap on tightly & dispose of in the regular trash.	Hospitals and nursing homes are required to accept used sharps. They should be put in a container first. In Wayne County, Newark-Wayne Community Hospital in Newark and the attached nursing home as well as the Wayne County nursing home accept used sharps. Call ahead for times and days of the week. Soldiers and Sailors Hospital in Penn Yan will also accept sharps.
Smoke Alarms	Wrap in newspaper & place in regular trash.	
Styrofoam Peanuts	Pack and ship locations often will accept clean packing peanuts and other packaging supplies.	
Styrofoam – other	Styrofoam is technically recyclable. That's why items have the chasing arrows recycling symbol with the #6. Very few companies are actually recycling Styrofoam. It is mostly air and so uneconomical to recycle. There is not enough plastic in the products to make it worth recovery efforts.	While plastic is a mostly inert product and does not degrade, it does break down into smaller and smaller pieces when exposed to sunlight, air and the stresses of exposure. Scientific studies have revealed micron-sized pieces of plastic even in remote deep-sea locations. Plastic of that size is ingested or absorbed by plants and animals and affects their life-cycle.
Telephone books	Telephone books are accepted in the curbside recycling program. Please place the telephone books with the other papers in the recycling box.	
Tires	Tire stores will often accept tires. Usually they will charge a fee of	

	around \$5 per tire.	
Toner & Laser Cartridges	North Rose United Methodist Church Lyons Heritage Society	Staples and Office Max offer cartridge recycling.
Yard waste	Some villages will handle yard waste. Check with your local municipal (town or village) office for dates and times.	Composting yard waste in your own yard returns the nutrients to your soil, improving growing conditions.