



Battery Recycling

	Household Trash	Alpha Ridge Landfill-HHW Day* Saturdays ONLY Apr-Nov	Retail Take-Back**	Alpha Ridge Landfill Battery Shed* Mon-Sat 8am-4pm
Alkaline	✓		✓	
Rechargeable		✓	✓	
Button		✓	✓	
Lead-Acid				✓
Lithium		✓	✓	

* Alpha Ridge Landfill, 2350 Marriottsville Road, Marriottsville, MD. 410-313-6444

**Retail take-back programs include [Home Depot](#), [IKEA](#), [Lowes](#), [My Organic Market \(MOMs\)](#), [REI Columbia](#) and [Staples](#). See links and locations for details.



Alkaline Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, etc.)

Since 1996, these everyday batteries no longer contain the heavy metals that were considered hazardous to the environment and can be disposed in your household trash. Some retail take-back programs may exist for those who wish to recycle these batteries.



Rechargeable Batteries

There are many different types of rechargeable batteries including Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), Lithium Ion (Li-ion) and Small Sealed Lead(Pb). Rechargeable batteries contain heavy metals that should be recycled through a retail take-back program or at an HHW Collection Day at the Alpha Ridge Landfill (Saturdays Only April-November).



Button Batteries (hearing aid, watch, greeting card)

These batteries can contain mercury and silver oxide, which are hazardous to the environment. Please recycle these batteries through a retail take-back program or at an HHW Collection Day at the Alpha Ridge Landfill (Saturdays Only, April-November).



Lead-Acid Batteries (car, motorcycle, boat)

Recycle these batteries at the Alpha Ridge Landfill (Monday-Saturday, 8am to 4pm). Acceptable lead-acid batteries also include AGM and Gel Cell, commonly found in ATVs and kids powered vehicles.



Lithium Batteries (toy, clock, camera, calculator, laptop)

If your battery contains lithium, it should include the word "lithium" somewhere on its body. These batteries should be recycled through a retail take-back program or at an HHW Collection Day (Saturdays Only, April-November).

If you are recycling a laptop, please leave the battery in the laptop and place the laptop in the Electronic Recycling drop-off at Alpha Ridge Landfill.

Free Battery Collection

[Call2Recycle](#) provides FREE boxes for rechargeable batteries and cell phones. Who can be a collection site? Businesses, retailers, communities and public agencies can participate and recycle batteries for free.