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New rules for recycling Electronics in DeKalb County Municipalities

DeKalb County has worked hard to recycle electronics since many items were banned from the landfill in 2012. The electronics recycling market has experienced many ups and downs over the last five years. We have reached a point where most electronic items have no value and we have to pay recyclers to take them. The Municipality contractor has decided to reduce the acceptable items at the collection events to the 17 banned items in the State of Illinois.

These 17 items must be recycled and will not be accepted in your trash.

Computers	Computer Monitors*	Printers
TVs (all types)*	Electronic Keyboards	Fax Machines
VCRs	Portable CD Players	DVD Players
Video Game Consoles	Mouse	Scanners
Digital Converter Box	Cable Receiver	Satellite Receiver
DVD recorder	Small Scale Server	

*There is a fee to recycle computer monitors (\$10.00) and TVs (18 inches or smaller, \$20 and 19 inches or larger \$30). Only cash will be accepted at Municipality locations. Residents will receive a coupon for equal value when paying to recycle TVs, and monitors. All other items listed above are free.

Most electronics with a cord or non-rechargeable battery that are not listed above can be thrown out as trash. Some exceptions are refrigerators/freezers, dehumidifier's, and air conditioners which contain Freon.

Recycling Event Schedule

Event Date	Host Municipality	Location	Time
1 st Sat. Monthly	DeKalb	Public Parking Lot Grove and S. 4 th St.	9am - 11am
2 nd Sat. Monthly	Sandwich	750 Duvick Rd. (East Water Tower)	12:30pm - 2:30pm
4 th Sat. Even Months only	Waterman	City Lot Route 30	9am - 11am

** Please note you can recycle electronics Monday - Friday from 8am - 4pm at DC Trash (14438 E. North Ave, Cortland), however there will be charges for all items recycled at the Cortland Facility. Please contact DC Trash at 815-758-7274 for specific pricing information. Residents will receive a coupon for equal value when paying to recycle electronics (this excludes items containing Freon). Staff will be present to help unload heavy items. Cash, check or credit/debit card will be accepted at the DC Trash location only. DC Trash also offers pick up from your home for an additional fee.

To reduce the volume of e-waste, residents from Genoa, Sycamore and Kirkland are required to recycle their items through Waste Management's At Your Door Program. (DC Trash will not accept the items at the municipal collection events). Waste Management can be contacted at 1-800-449-7587, www.WMAtYourDoor.com , or email AtYourDoor@WM.com .

For questions, specific to waste and recycling please contact Michelle Gibson at 815-748-2408 or send an email to recyclemailbox@dekalbcounty.org

To learn more about the many programs and services of the Health Department, visit health.dekalbcounty.org, or call (815)758-6673.

