

# RECYCLE ITEMS

## A to Z

Right here in Sheboygan and Sheboygan County  
(data collected in 2009, updated January, 2010)

Check out this subject list:

Aluminum and aluminum cans, Bags (plastic bags), Batteries, Bulbs (Eco-light bulbs), Electronics of all sorts, Earthwise Recycling, LLC, Extending the Life of Items in a variety of ways, Eyeglasses,

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Motor Oil safe disposal, Motor oil, transmission fluid, gear oil and old batteries, Organic compost and wood mulch offered free from recycled yard waste, Outdated Medicine Safe Disposal 24/7 and special collections,

Paper recycling, Plastic Bottles and Jugs, Scrap Metal from around the home, Thrift Shop Donations, Tin and Metal food and beverage cans,

Vehicle Batteries, Vehicle Donations, Vehicle Tires,

Yard Waste Disposal Locations, Yard Waste Recycling at Home or on most Properties     Zee—Zee what people can do when they work together

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RECYCLING AND SAFE DISPOSAL  
**FOR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS LISTED A TO Z (Updated JANUARY, 2010)**  
**Sheboygan and Sheboygan County Locations**

\*\* More information is welcome for recycling sites or services in Sheboygan County. This computer list on recycling and safe disposal is considered a work in progress.

**New State of Wisconsin E-Waste Rule, Jan.1, 2010, prohibits landfill disposal or incineration of certain electronics as of Sept.1, 2010, designed to keep old computers and televisions out of landfills.**

The State of Wisconsin made recycling mandatory for everyone in Wisconsin, as of Jan. 1, 1995. A few local municipalities, such as Howards Grove and Town of Wilson passed similar local ordinances in order to better support and enforce the Wisconsin ordinance.

**For updated information anytime**, especially checking on 2010 Household Hazardous Waste Collections and the May 14-15 Clean Sweep that includes TVs & computers, **check Sheboygan County website: [www.co.Sheboygan.wi.us](http://www.co.Sheboygan.wi.us) (then click on departments, then click on planning and scroll down to new items and announcements)** This A to Z Household Items Recycling and Safe Disposal extensive, multi-page guide also is found on the Sheboygan County Website at this location at bottom of announcement page for Municipalities Recycling and Waste Collection.

**ALUMINUM** (multiple locations):

**Sheboygan Recycling Company**, 1206 Illinois Avenue takes and pays for clean, dry aluminum beverage cans, cat food cans, also disposable but clean aluminum food trays, pie plates, and muffin tins. To reach Sheboygan Recycling take Indiana Avenue to 11<sup>th</sup> Street, turn north, go one block to Illinois Ave, then turn left (west), and go one block.

**Two Scrap Metal dealers** on N. 21<sup>st</sup> Street just north of North Avenue in Sheboygan, Sheboygan Scrap Metals and Holman Scrap Metal, will take many kinds of aluminum including clean food trays, pie plates and beverage cans (check for prices paid.)

**Veolia** will take aluminum cans along with other Co-Mingled Recyclables in certain designated dumpsters contracted by businesses and apartment/complexes in Sheboygan and Sheboygan County.

Campers and visitors to **Kohler-Andrae State Park** can put aluminum cans, other tin cans and designated recyclables in Veolia dumpsters labeled Co-mingled Recyclables near the campground host corner at west side of park.

**ALUMINUM CANS ONLY:** (multiple locations)

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**Other aluminum can recycling spots:**

**Cedar Grove:** Aluminum cans that are emptied and rinsed are accepted at the village drop-off site dumpsters at E. Willow Ave. and N. Commerce St., Saturdays 8am-2pm.

**Elkhart Lake:** an aluminum can recycle cage is at 51 E. Maple Street next to Village Garage, in addition to curbside blue bag collection.

**Town of Wilson:** town residents may bring aluminum cans to the Town of Wilson Maintenance/Drop Off Site, 920-980-0198 on Meyer Road just off OK frontage Road on west side of I-43, Sat. 8-4 pm, Tues. 8-5pm, also other designated recyclables, yard waste and other items. Residents can order curb-service pickup of garbage only. Sometimes the Drop-off Site is still referred by locals as the Town of Wilson dump.

**BAGS as in PLASTIC BAGS:** take to any local Wal-Mart. Recycle box is just inside entrance doors. Remove any slips from bags, turn inside out, place in recycle box.

Also accepting clean grocery-store-size plastic bags (Sheboygan locations): Mead Public Library on 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Piggly Wiggly (south side Sheb.) and Fringe Benefits Thrift Shop (also wants larger plastic bags) located in Taylor Heights Shopping. Ctr., Taylor Dr.

**BATTERIES:** as in worn-out vehicle batteries (see Vehicle Batteries listing). Batteries as in worn out rechargeable batteries, other batteries see (Batteries under Electronics.)

**MANY KINDS OF BATTERIES, taken for recycling at BATTERIES PLUS,** Taylor Heights Shopping Center, including lithium, zinc air, silver oxide batteries & also rechargeable. Batteries accepted for hearing aids, computers, glucose testers, watches, dog collars, toys, film cameras, digital cameras, remotes and car remotes.

**BULBS as in ECO-LIGHT BULBS** (multiple locations):

**Home Depot,** Deer Trace Plaza, at I-43 (Kohler), **Evan's Variety Store in Sheboygan Falls,** and **Menards** north of Sheboygan. Also at special hazardous waste collections for Sheboygan County several times a year, contact Jim Hulbert, 459-3765 at the Sheboygan County Planning Resources Dept.

At Home Depot, take worn-out Eco Bulbs inside store entrance, and turn right to the "Return Desk." Put each light bulb inside a plastic bag provided by store, if not already in a plastic bag and place in designated container near Return Desk. The stores do not accept the longer size fluorescent bulbs.

Menard's off Hwy 42 accepts burned out (but not broken) Eco-Bulbs to be turned in to a person behind a counter located just beyond its check-outs, next to the EXIT doors.

**ECO-BULB WARNING: All Eco-Bulbs have a small amount of Hazardous Waste** Mercury inside them that could drop on floor, carpet or other surface when a bulb breaks.

**SPECIAL CLEANUP is needed WITHOUT USING** water, vacuum cleaners, or bare hands or brooms. Don't shampoo carpet. Keep children and pets away from area where the bulb broke. Clean up broken bulb residue using protective gloves (if possible), small sheets of paper, newspaper or little sheets of cardboard and do not discard in garbage or trash. For general safety place broken Eco-bulb pieces and paper with residue inside a plastic bag and fasten securely. Take to a designated recycle location. In some cases a small section of carpet may need to be cut out and replaced.

## **ELECTRONICS:**

**ELECTRONICS COLLECTIONS ARE HELD EACH YEAR BY THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY PLANNING AND RESOURCES DEPARTMENT** to recycle computers, TVs, dehumidifiers, and other electronic appliances. This more comprehensive recycling and safe disposal program is **part of the County's Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Program.** (See announcement on page 1.)

**BATTERIES** as in worn-out **RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES:** (Multiple Locations): **Home Depot** entrance next to Return Desk, just inside entrance. Place in container. **Best Buy**, just inside front entrance doors. **Batteries Plus**, just inside entrance door at right.

**PRINTER CARTRIDGES FOR INKJET PRINTERS:** Take to **Best Buy**, deposit just inside entrance doors. Accepted at **Office Max**, Sheboygan, at check-out or by clerks.

**CELLPHONES:** **Best Buy**, just inside front entrance doors. **BATTERIES PLUS** in Taylor Heights Shopping Center takes old cell phones, hand-held games, MP3 players.

**TV SETS** (up to 32 inch screen only): **Best Buy**, take to customer service counter, pay a \$10 fee for each TV, then accept a Best Buy gift card for \$10 towards any purchase at the store. Store accepts 2 electronic items per household per day.

**VHS** recorders and players: **Best Buy**, take to customer service counter. Store accepts 2 electronic items per household per day.

**DVD** recorders and players: **Best Buy**, take to customer service counter. Store accepts 2 electronic items per household per day.

**CD** Players: **Best Buy**, take to customer service counter. Store accepts 2 electronic items per household per day.

**COMPUTERS:** (multiple locations)

**Best Buy** off I-43, Exit 123, west frontage road (recycling of computers): Store will accept two computer items only on a single day, such as a monitor with up to a 32 inch screen (\$10 fee for any CRT or laptop) and a disc drive (no extra charge.) Store staff wipe the disc drives clean before stacking for pick-up by the company's Shuttle service for future recycling or disposal. A trade-in service also has been offered on specific electronic items that are still in excellent condition, as of March 2009. Check with local store customer service staff for on-line procedure to be followed.

**Milwaukee PC in downtown Sheboygan**, 516 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St, Ph. 803-0058  
Milwaukee PC recycling of computers: Store will take monitor, disc drive tower, keyboard, also laptops. Will wipe disc drive clean before storing for pick-up. Some disc drive towers are recycled in Sheboygan County. Computer components are picked up monthly by the MKE PC company parts truck. No charge for disposal of the computer. If computer owner wants a disc drive wiped and then returned, there is about a \$40 charge. If the computer owner wants "Windows" reinstalled, then the charge is more.

**Elkhart Lake resident's option** for computer disposal: Larry's Hauling will pick up computer components with curbside pick-up and computer monitors for an extra \$15 charge. Residents need to call in and give name, address and phone number for billing process, in order to have a computer monitor picked up at curbside. No charge for other components.

**EARTHWISE RECYCLING, LLC: 920-467-9951**, recycles holiday lights, computer monitors, printers, VCRs, TVs, cellphones, other electronic devices and non pcb light ballasts. Small local business in rural Sheboygan Falls area. Phone first for drop-off directions so that a person is available to accept. Some pick-ups, depending on amount or size. No charge to donate most electronics. Small charge for TVs and for Computer monitors and printers. For more specific information, phone, or email: earthwise recycling@ wildblue.net

**EXTENDING THE LIFE OF ITEMS in a variety of ways:**

Several repair shops exist around Sheboygan and Sheboygan County, including 4 near 11<sup>th</sup> & Michigan Ave. in Sheboygan –Arntz Zipper, Johnnies Bike Shop (new and used), Mantz Vac Center (new, used and rebuilt vacs), and Mollys Cobbler Shop for repair of shoes and boots. In Sheboygan Falls, the Sewing Machine Shop does machine repairs. Furniture repair businesses around the county include: Glen Grunow on County Trunk O, Sheboygan Falls, Hartman's Furniture Service on S. 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Sheboygan Upholstery on N. 13<sup>th</sup> St., Sheboygan and Ver Velde Finishing on Center Ave in Oostburg.

Note: Used Bookstores extend the life of books, paper, and music. Thrift shops, consignment shops, rummage sales and garage sales extend the useful life of many items.

**EYEGLASSES Donations** (multiple Sheboygan locations): "Old" eyeglasses to **VFW Post 9156** at 552 S. Evans across from Wildwood Cemetery, (920) 458-0801, also to **VFW Wolf Post 1230**, at 1138 Union Ave., (920) 457-9775, during hours when both posts are open. Eyeglasses also accepted at **Medical Eye Associates**, 1442 N. 31<sup>st</sup> St., on the corner of 31<sup>st</sup> Street and Superior Avenue, across from the south side of St. Nicholas Hospital. Place eyeglasses in wall box in breezeway near entrance. Old eyeglasses and hearing aids accepted by **Glanders Pharmacy**, 3529 Superior Ave.

**FREecycle:** person-to-person recycling of free items by listing each item on an internet Yahoo group called SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN FREecycle (TM). Everything posted must be free, legal, and appropriate for all ages. **Internet navigation:** Go to [www.freecycle.net](http://www.freecycle.net) (the page gives an overview of national program). Go to [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org). Type -- Sheboygan, WI -- inside search box, then click on Sheboygan. Then click on -- Visit Sheboygan Yahoo Page. In order to participate in this group, click on Join This Group. Get a Yahoo ID by clicking on SIGNUP. Use Yahoo ID to sign on to the Freecycle Yahoo Group for Sheboygan in order to get permission to read and post messages. The free membership in Sheboygan FreeCycle allows the posting and reading to take place. Arrangements for pickup can be made by exchanging e-mail messages.

**FREON APPLIANCE SAFE DISPOSAL:**

(County-wide) Collected for a fee from any Sheboygan County resident at any of the household hazardous waste collection events sponsored by the Sheboygan County Planning and Resources Department. Call 920-459-3060 for more information.

(For Elkhart Lake residents only) Freon appliance pick-up for refrigerators, freezers, and dehumidifiers are taken at curbside on scheduled garbage collection day at no extra cost. Item must be called in to Larry's Hauling.

(Open to public for drop-off) Veolia Environmental Services, 2905 Paine Ave., Sheboygan, 458-6030 accepts freon appliances for \$100.00 per appliance. No pick-up.

**GLASS bottles and jars**, plastic bottles and jugs, aluminum and metal cans: sometimes labeled as CO-MINGLED RECYCLABLES (multiple locations):

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**Other glass bottle and jar recycling spots:**

Taken at specified **Veolia** dumpsters for businesses and apartment/condo complexes.

**Kohler-Andrae State Park:** Taken at co-mingled recyclables dumpster at west end of park near campground host corner as a service to campers and park visitors.

**Cedar Grove:** Glass (brown, green and clear that is rinsed and with caps removed,) along with plastics bagged together in clear bags, also emptied and rinsed aluminum cans are accepted at the village's drop-off site dumpsters, E. Willow Ave. and N. Commerce St., Sat. 8am-2pm..

**Town of Wilson:** taken at its Maintenance Building/Drop-off Site, 920-980-0198, at 4430 Meyer Court just off the OK frontage road, west of I-43 still referred to be some locals as the Town of Wilson dump. Hours for drop off are Sat, 8-4pm, and Tues, 8-5 pm. Blue bagged co-mingled recyclables, also bundled paper and other specified items accepted for drop-off at dumpsters by Larry's Hauling. There is also a garbage compactor at the site for residents who do not order curbside garbage pick-up.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORE** (Sheboygan and Plymouth locations): Takes excellent condition lighting fixtures, mirrors with no chips or scratches and many other house redecorating or building supplies, including doors and windows. Sheboygan location is on N. Calumet Drive /Hwy 42 about 1.5 miles north of Quarry Park and a half mile from the I-43 exit. Plymouth location is on Eastern Avenue (County Trunk C) across from Fleet Farm entrance, just west of the Dairy Queen at Hwy 32 and C.

**HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS SAFE DISPOSAL:** Several collections are held each year by the Sheboygan County Planning and Resources Department. Safe disposal includes comprehensive electronics recycling using Veolia Environmental Services for TVs and Computers where only 1 to 2 percent of collected electronics ends up in a landfill, according to Jim Hulbert, Director, Sheboygan County Planning Resources Dept., 459-3765, 508 New York Ave, Sheboygan. **Materials accepted in the hazardous waste collection include** flammable liquids, oil-based paints, solvents, varnishes, thinners, reactives (typically pool chemicals), fluorescent bulbs, household batteries, acids and bases, old gasoline, pesticides and herbicides, cleaners, aerosols, poisons, and antifreeze, at no charge to Sheboygan County households. Fees will be charged for small businesses and agricultural businesses who may wish to participate. Computers will be recycled for an extra charge of \$15 per monitor, CPU, or printer. TVs, dehumidifiers and air conditioners will be accepted for an added charge of \$25 upwards to \$50 per item or more.

**For updated information anytime,** or checking on 2010 collections that may begin as early as March, 2010, **check Sheboygan County website: [www.co.Sheboygan.wi.us](http://www.co.Sheboygan.wi.us) (then click on departments, then click on planning and scroll down to new items and announcements.)** The Clean Sweep Collection, which includes electronics, is planned for Friday afternoon May 14, 1-6 pm and Saturday morning May 15, 8-11am.

**HEARING AIDS:** Collection boxes have been placed by the **Sheboygan Lions Club** for no longer being used hearing aids, including at **Advanced Hearing Care**, 717 Michigan Avenue, Sheboygan, 920-452-0641, during office hours. Also at **Glanders Pharmacy**, 3529 Superior Avenue. Only **Hearing aid batteries accepted by Batteries Plus**, Taylor Heights Shopping Ctr.

**MOTOR OIL SAFE DISPOSAL** (multiple locations):

Business and municipality locations for used Motor Oil Safe Disposal:

**Mobil 1 Lube Express ( 3 locations in Sheboygan):**

Mobil 1 Lube Express on the corner of 14<sup>th</sup> and Indiana Avenue; Mobil 1 Lube Express on Calumet Drive about a block north of North Avenue; Mobil 1 Lube Express near Car Express a block south of the Washington Avenue and Taylor Drive intersection.

Mobil 1 Lube Expresses accept "Do It Yourself" motor oil for recycling during regular business hours only (M-F 8am-6pm, Sat. 8-4 pm, and Sun. 10 am-3 pm.)

**Advance Auto Parts**, 2820 S. Business Drive near where Wilson Avenue comes into South Business Drive, accepts used vehicle oil for disposal Mon-Sat. 7:30 am-9pm, Sun. 9am-8pm.

**Prestige Motors**, Prestige Re-Upholstery, 1929 N. 18<sup>th</sup> St., Sheboygan, accepts used motor oil during business hours. (920) 458-5775

**City of Sheboygan:** Sheboygan Department of Public Works on New Jersey Avenue at driveway entrance for recycling branches and yard waste, also takes used motor oil, worn out vehicle batteries, and scrap metal only from Sheboygan residents. The hours are Mon-Sat. 8am-4pm. Be prepared to prove city residency.

**Elkhart Lake:** a drum for collection of waste oil is located at the Village Garage, 51 E. Maple, Wed. 2 to 6 pm and Sat. 10-3pm April to Oct.

**Plymouth:** Valvoline Oil Change, 1950 Eastern Ave., Plymouth, (920) 893-6101 during business hours.

**Town of Wilson** Maintenance/Drop-off Site: 920-980-0198 at 4430 Meyer Court just off OK frontage Road on west side of I-43. Sat. 8-4 pm, Tues. 8-5pm, is a drop-off site for used motor oil, waste or drain oil in no larger than 2 gallon containers, and other designated recyclables and specific items from Town of Wilson residents only. Will accept car, truck and tractor tires for an additional fee.

**MOTOR OIL, TRANSMISSION FLUID, GEAR OIL, AND OLD BATTERIES:** Auto Zone at the intersection of Calumet Drive and Superior Avenue in Sheboygan, recycles used motor oil, used transmission fluid, used gear oil, and takes worn out vehicle batteries during store hours, Mon- Sat. 7:30am –9pm, Sun. 9am-8pm.

**ORGANIC COMPOST** Free for Sheboygan residents: Sheboygan Public Works Department on New Jersey Avenue takes leaves, grass clippings, and garden waste, then makes black earth compost over a period of time for redistribution “free” to city residents. The Sheboygan and the Sheboygan Falls DPW each make wood chip mulch, also distributed at no charge to their residents only. Prepare to prove residency. (See Yard Waste listing for yard waste drop-off sites in Sheboygan & Sheb. County)

**OUT-DATED MEDICINE SAFE DISPOSAL:** The Sheboygan County Planning and Resources Department coordinates waste medication collection disposal programs in a partnership with the Healthy Sheboygan County 2020 Committee and the City of Sheboygan Police Department. There is now a **permanent disposal location, open 24/7** with security, in the lobby of the new **Sheboygan Police Station, 1315 N. 23<sup>rd</sup> St.** Both prescription and over-the-counter medicines can be deposited there. Leave them in the bottles with labels attached. Black out name or tear off part of label containing only name. The remaining info on the bottle is needed for proper disposal of the different kinds of medication.

**Special Collections throughout Sheboygan County continue** for outdated medicine safe disposal, during the **first Saturday in October every year** in various communities throughout Sheboygan County. **Call 920-459-3060** for more information.

**Please do not dispose of unused or waste medications down the toilet or in the trash.**

**PAPER RECYCLING**, including shredded paper, office paper, telephone books, mail order catalogs, cardboard, newspapers, magazines, assorted packaging paper and assorted mixed paper. (Multiple locations for newspaper and cardboard recycling only)

**ALL OF THE ABOVE TYPES OF PAPER accepted free by SHEBOYGAN RECYCLING**, 8 am–4pm Mon to Fri., 1206 Illinois Avenue, a block north of the corner of Indiana Avenue and 11<sup>th</sup> Street, then turn left and go one more block to 1206 Illinois.

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City of Sheboygan (recycling change as of Jan. 4, 2010):

**NEWSPAPER AND FLATTENED CARDBOARD** (properly bundled) for curbside pick-up by **City of SHEBOYGAN is accepted EVERY WEEK as of Jan. 4, 2010.**

**Note:** NEWSPAPERS AND FLATTENED CARDBOARD may be added to the blue recyclables bag for pick-up, or can be kept separate and placed next to the regular garbage bags for weekly curbside collection.

**Veolia** provides dumpsters for private pick-up of newspaper and flattened cardboard at businesses and apartment/condo complexes in Sheboygan and Sheboygan County.

**Kohler-Andrae State Park:** Newspaper and flattened Cardboard can be deposited by campers and visitors at Veolia dumpster near campground at west end of park, next to dumpsters for garbage and for co-mingled recyclables

**Cedar Grove:** Cardboard of all types with inserts removed and flattened and bundled will be taken at the village's drop-off site dumpsters; also newsprint with inserts removed and tied in bundles are accepted at the village's drop-off site, E. Willow Ave. and Commerce Street, on Saturdays, 8am-2pm.

**Town of Wilson:** Separated paper is accepted at its Maintenance Building/Drop-off Site, 920-980-0198, at 4430 Meyer Court just off the OK frontage road, west of I-43 still referred to be some locals as the Town of Wilson dump. Hours for drop off are Sat, 8-4pm, and Tues, 8-5 pm. Newspapers, magazines, and chipboard are to be bundled (not put in plastic bags), also cardboard is to be flattened and placed in Larry's Hauling dumpsters. Other blue bag recyclables and other designated items are also accepted. There is a garbage compactor at the site for residents who do not order curbside garbage pick-up.

**PLASTIC BOTTLES and jugs**, glass bottles and jars, aluminum and metal cans, sometimes labeled together as CO-MINGLED RECYCLABLES (multiple locations): Most all cities and villages in Sheboygan County have adopted the **single-stream recycling program** where aluminum and other metal food and beverage cans, glass, **plastic bottles**, also newspapers and cardboard (properly bundled) can be placed in the blue plastic recyclables bag for curbside pick with weekly garbage collection.

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**Other spots around the county:**

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**SCRAP METAL FROM AROUND THE HOME (multiple locations): Two Scrap Metal dealers** on N. 21<sup>st</sup> Street Sheboygan, just north of North Avenue, Sheboygan Scrap Metals and Holman Scrap Metal, will take large and smaller objects, including old metal clothes hangers, assorted hardware, all metal "worn-out" cooking and eating utensils, solid metal trays, and also aluminum objects including aluminum disposable food trays, pie plates, muffin tins, pie pans, and cans, etc.

**Veolia Environmental Services**, 2905 Paine Ave, Sheboygan, 458-6030, takes scrap metal, also furniture, non freon appliances, and construction debris, (up to a ton for a gate fee of \$27.)

**(For Sheboygan residents only):** City of Sheboygan Department of Public Works recycling at 2026 New Jersey Avenue site takes scrap metal, also used motor oil, used vehicle batteries, and branches and some yard waste. Mon-Fri. 8am-6pm., Sat.8am-4pm.

**THRIFT SHOP DONATIONS** are taken at many locations throughout Sheboygan and Sheboygan County. Consider contributing to thrift shops instead of putting still usable good-condition objects out for curbside pick up. Consider buying from thrift shops. Some items are U.S. made goods. When we buy pre-owned goods, we don't require that extra amount of foreign oil to be used to make and to ship new imports here.

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**VEHICLE BATTERIES:**

**Auto Zone** at the intersection of Calumet Drive and Superior Avenue in Sheboygan, accepts worn out vehicle batteries at no charge during store hours, Mon- Sat. 7:30am – 9pm, Sun. 9am-8pm.

**City of Sheboygan:** Worn out vehicle batteries may be taken (by Sheboygan residents only) to the Sheboygan Department of Public Works Drop-off site at 2026 New Jersey Ave. M-F, 8-6pm. Sat. 8-4pm. Be prepared to prove residency.

**Veolia**, 2905 Paine Ave., Sheboygan, 458-6030, takes worn out vehicle batteries, \$6 each, open to the public.

**VEHICLE DONATIONS LOCALLY TO RAWHIDE:** USED VEHICLES may be donated and dropped off at area dealerships, including Sheboygan Chevrolet Buick Pontiac GMC Cadillac Inc. at South Business Drive and Washington Avenue in Sheboygan. For detailed info on the program, check with area dealerships or Rawhide's website. **Internet navigation:** Go to [www.rawhide.com](http://www.rawhide.com). Click on the DONATE NOW! button located at bottom of page for description of vehicle donation program begun by Gr. Bay football legend Bart Starr to help at-risk youth in the Lake Winnebago area.

**VEHICLE TIRES:**

**(Open to the public) Veolia**, 2905 Paine Ave., Sheboygan, 458-6030, accepts worn out vehicle tires, \$25 each.

**Cedar Grove residents only:** Tires of 12-15 size are accepted at the village drop-off site for a \$2.00 fee each, larger tires up to a \$10 fee each, on Sat. 8 am-2pm, at E. Willow Ave and N. Commerce Street when attendant is there.

**Town of Wilson residents only:** For an additional fee, Town of Wilson residents may drop off old tires, \$3 per car tire, \$6 per truck tire, and \$10 per tractor tire to the its Maintenance Building/Drop off site at 4430 Meyer Court just off the OK frontage road just west of I-43 still referred to be some locals as the Town of Wilson dump. Hours for drop off are Sat, 8-4pm, and Tues, 8-5 pm. Phone 920-980-0198.

## **YARD WASTE** disposal in Sheboygan and Sheboygan County

**Note: Due to budget cuts** in many government departments, there may be changes announced regarding services or times for yard waste disposal during 2010. Check city and county websites, or phone proper government office for details. This directory will be updated when possible.

**City of Sheboygan:** Yard waste, grass clippings, and leaves may be taken by Sheboygan residents only to the Sheboygan Department of Public Works recycling center at 2026 New Jersey Avenue. These are converted over the period of several months to compost offered free to Sheboygan residents. Branches and Christmas trees are made into wood chip mulch, which, in turn, is offered free to city residents. Open Mon-Fri. 8-6pm., Sat. 8-4pm. Be prepared to prove city residency.

**Cedar Grove:** Specific areas for depositing yard waste, also branches accepted anytime at the village's drop off site on the corner of E. Willow Ave. and N. Commerce Street.

**Elkhart Lake:** The Village Garage, 51 E. Maple St. takes yard and garden waste, leaves and brush from April to October, Sat. 10-3 pm and Wed. 2-6pm.

**Howard's Grove:** Yard waste may be properly composted on owner's property, also may be disposed of at Larry's Hauling on Balsam Road in the Sheboygan Falls Industrial Park. Larry's Hauling will contract with property owner for pick up. Brush not accepted.

**Kohler:** Yard waste is picked up in separate containers with the weekly curbside collection by Larry's Hauling.. Residents are not to put yard waste in plastic bags.

**Oostburg:** Yard clippings can be deposited on Superior Ave. off 11<sup>th</sup> Street in Oostburg at the Village municipal garage. Larger branches can be taken to Minnesota Ave. next to the railroad tracks.

**Plymouth:** City Garage, 1004 Valley Road, takes grass clippings, yard and garden waste, also brush during regular working hours, and also on Saturdays from mid-April to mid- November. Hours are posted on the door.

**Random Lake:** Branches and brush are accepted at the village's shop drop-off site, 690 Wolf Road. (For village residents only)

**Sheboygan Falls:** Dept.of Public Works, 111 Haman Dr., off Hwy 32 (halfway between County Trunk C and Hwy. 23) takes yard and garden waste and branches which must be removed from plastic bags or containers before being placed on the drop off site. The DPW offers wood chips at the site free for the taking by Sheboygan Falls residents only.

**Town of Sheboygan:** A drop-off site for town residents only is located at 3770 Enterprise Drive off Hwy 42 next to the water tower in the Town of Sheboygan Business Park (east of I-43.) Accepts leaves, grass clippings, small brush and garden waste.

**Town of Wilson:** Accepts grass clippings and leaves (not in plastic bags), small amounts of wood and lumber, also branches and brush at its Maintenance Building/Drop-off Site, 920-980-0198, at 4430 Meyer Court just off the OK frontage road, west of I-43 still referred to be some locals as the Town of Wilson dump. Hours for drop off are Sat, 8-4pm, and Tues, 8-5 pm. Phone 920-980-0198. It also offers wood chips for sale.

## **YARD WASTE RECYCLING AT HOME OR ON MOST PROPERTIES:**

Lawnmowers can be set to the 2 and 1/2 inch height or higher before mowing, then let the grass grow only an inch or two above that setting and mow, allowing the clippings to drop back into the lawn. No need to collect grass clippings if mowing is done weekly. The clippings provide the best natural nitrogen fertilizer to the soil each time the lawn is cut. The secret is to mow often. Worms aid in eating the clippings.

Lawns above 3 inches are more draught resistant, cutting down on watering time and expense. Commercial chemical fertilizers are not needed or seldom needed, saving most of that annual expense.

The leaf trimmings from bushes and other plants, also garden weeds and dead plants can be put in small piles for composting. Add an occasional sprinkling of granulated lime to help the compost piles become black soil compost within a year. Turning the piles a couple of times a year is helpful, too.

These compost piles have almost no odor, if kept to trimmed leaves, autumn leaves and garden waste. Items such as coffee grounds, egg shells and other kitchen cooking refuse produce offensive odors in compost piles. **Trimming from raw or cooked meat or any forms of pet waste are never advised for composting.**

Two small compost piles can be attractively hidden from site easier than one big pile, at little or no cost. Small compost piles seem to produce compost faster than one large one.

Other ways to compost include using a worm box or a cylinder bin than turns. Some leaf trimmings from bushes can be tucked under the mulch beneath the bushes in order to provide natural plant food. This is called mulching in place.

(Note: The collectors of this Ecology Directory used several of these methods with good results for 15 years at their former home, before moving to a condo. They received compliments regarding their property being attractive.)

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**(data collected in 2009, updated January 17, 2010)**