

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Energy and Environment

April 13, 2017

Re: District of Columbia Electronic Waste Disposal Restrictions

To whom it may concern:

The Sustainable Solid Waste Management Amendment Act of 2014 (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.01 et seq.) created the eCYCLE DC program to increase electronics recycling in the District of Columbia. Under the Act, beginning on January 1, 2018, “no person in the District shall knowingly dispose of covered electronic equipment or subassemblies of covered electronic equipment as solid waste in the District except through recycling programs or other methods approved by the Mayor.”

This means that as of January 1, 2018, no person may throw covered electronic equipment into the trash.

Covered Electronic Equipment

The disposal restrictions apply to covered electronic equipment, as defined in the statute and implementing regulations (20 DCMR § 4100-4199), which includes:

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| • Desktop computers | • Printers |
| • Laptops | • Computer mice |
| • Tablets | • Keyboards |
| • E-readers | • Televisions |
| • Portable digital music players | • VCRs and DVD players |
| • Computer monitors | • TV game consoles |

Recycling Options

Beginning January 1, 2018, individuals must properly recycle their unwanted covered electronic equipment. A list of electronics recycling options is available at doee.dc.gov/ecycle. Individuals and businesses can also contract directly with recyclers.

Responsibility of Haulers and Waste Collectors

In the coming months, the Department of Energy and Environment will develop guidance material on the responsibility of haulers and waste collectors under the disposal ban.

In the meantime, to help inform the public of the new disposal ban, please pass along the attached Disposal Ban fact sheet.

Questions

If you have question, please email productstewardship@dc.gov or call Stefan Roha at 202-741-0832. Visit doee.dc.gov/ecycle for more information.

ELECTRONICS DISPOSAL BAN: JANUARY 1, 2018

The Sustainable Solid Waste Management Amendment Act (D.C. Official Code § 8-1041.01 et seq.) (20 DCMR § 4100-4199) states that as of January 1, 2018, "no person in the District shall knowingly dispose of covered electronic equipment or subassemblies of covered electronic equipment as solid waste in the District except through recycling programs or other methods approved by the Mayor."

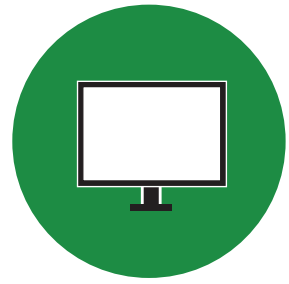
The following electronics will be banned from the trash:



**DESKTOP COMPUTERS
AND LAPTOPS**



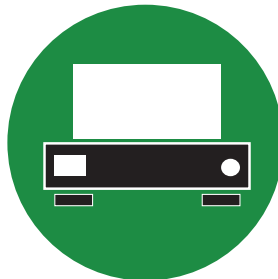
**TABLETS AND
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**COMPUTER
MONITORS**



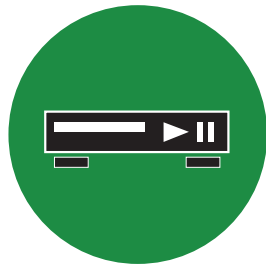
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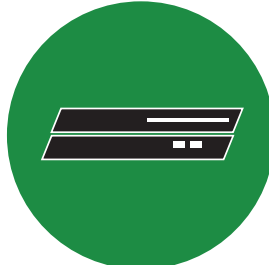
PRINTERS



TELEVISIONS



**VCRs AND DVD
PLAYERS**



**TV GAME
CONSOLES**



**PORTABLE DIGITAL
MUSIC PLAYERS**

For more information about how to properly recycle electronics, visit doee.dc.gov/ecycle.