



2023 OCONTO COUNTY RECYCLING GUIDE

- ✓ **SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING INCLUDES PAPER, CARDBOARD, PLASTIC BOTTLES & PLASTIC CONTAINERS, METAL & GLASS CONTAINERS RECYCLED TOGETHER IN YOUR MUNICIPAL DROP OFF CENTER RECYCLING DUMPSTER.**
- ✓ **If you are in doubt, toss it out!! Do not "wish" recycle an item if you are unsure if it can be recycled. Many consumer products may appear to be of value for recycling and you may wish it could be recycled and then toss the item in the single stream recycling bin without thinking. Not all products are easily recyclable and these items can increase the processing cost to recycle. View brochure for new recycling labeling found on certain products. Questions on proper recycling please contact the Oconto County Solid Waste Dept. at 920-834-6827.**
- ✓ **Garbage/trash, used oil, e-waste, scrap metal, used tires, etc must remain separated from single stream recyclables & disposed of properly. Plastic bags, wrap, film can also be recycled just not with the single stream items. See back page for proper recycling and why bags, ropes, etc are detrimental to single stream recycling.**


Plastics-Accept

- Household Bottles, jars & jugs
- Dairy Containers & Lids
- Produce, bakery, & deli containers & Lids

Do Not Accept

- Plastic Bags, Wrap or Film (*take back to store drop off collection sites*)
- Motor Oil Bottles or Jugs
- Styrofoam

Empty, rinse & replace caps and lids.



Paper & Cardboard-Accept

- Newspapers, inserts, magazines, books & mail
- Cardboard (flattened) & Paperboard (food boxes)
- Office paper, school paper & books
- Milk, Juice & Soup Cartons

Do Not Accept

- Pet food bags
- Tissue Paper
- Paper Cups
- Shredded paper (*take confidential papers to shred events for shredding & recycling or consult with shredding service companies*)



Metal- Accept

- Aluminum Bottles & Cans
- Steel & Tin Cans

Do Not Accept

- Aerosol Cans
- Aluminum Pans or Foil
- Empty Paint Cans
- Scrap Metal Items
- Metal Cookware

Empty and rinse


Glass-Accept

- Food & Beverage Bottles & Jars

Do Not Accept

- Window Glass
- Ceramics, China or Drinking Glassware
- Mirrors


Empty and rinse



MISCELLANEOUS RECYCLABLE ITEMS (CONSULT ATTENDANT FOR ACCEPTABLE DISPOSAL)

OIL FILTERS, ABSORBENTS & ANTIFREEZE: \$1 fee for each 3 gallons of items (price subject to change)
Store in leak proof container. Drop off at designated drop site. Place used engine filters, absorbents (oil rags, floor dry, etc), antifreeze or glycol in designated drums, where available.

USED MOTOR OIL: No charge for disposal. No industrial oil or oil mixed with antifreeze, gas, grease or water.




BATTERIES (lead acid): Vehicular batteries (lead acid batteries only). Batteries shall have caps on and in good condition.

SCRAP METALS: All scrap metal accepted such as appliances, copper tubing, sheet metal, etc. Bikes with rubber tires removed. Riding lawn mowers with tires attached are charged \$2.00/tire. Air conditioners, refrigerators or any other freon contained appliance are charged a fee. Items not accepted in scrap pile: Plastic vacuum cleaners, fridges/freezers with meat or food spoilage inside, metal pipes with cement, TV's, microwaves, chemical aerosols, insecticides etc. Consult with attendant for current fees and acceptable items.

TIRES: All vehicle tires are acceptable. Charges for disposal are based on size or by weight if over 100 lbs. Heavy ply tires such as tractor, skid steer or large equipment tires may not be accepted at your municipal site. Ask attendant for disposal charge and if heavy ply tires are accepted.

RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES RECYCLE AT PARTICIPATING STORES: Drop off your old rechargeable batteries for free at thousands of convenient locations across the U.S., including The Home Depot, Lowe's and Staples www.call2recycle.org (For safe disposal, tape ends or place in separate plastic bags as dead or drained rechargeable batteries still contain sufficient charge to potentially start fires when in contact with other metals) Alkaline, Manganese Carbon Zinc batteries (AAA, AA, C, D, 6V & 9V) can be placed in the trash.

REUSABLE ITEMS, DONATIONS: Search websites where reusable items can be donated. Reusable clothes, toys, cookware, books, or computer related items (monitors, keyboards, hard drives, etc). View www.reconnectpartnership.com for further details on recycling computer related items. Donate items to local nonprofit organizations in Northeast WI such as Goodwill Industries, St. Vincent DePaul, or New Beginnings Store, 228 W. Park St., Gillett WI 54124 - (920) 834-7148. Contact the store to confirm your donated items are acceptable.



THE BURNING OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLES IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. ONLY BRUSH, LEAVES, PERSONAL PAPERS, AND CLEAN, UNPAINTED OR UNTREATED WOOD MAY BE BURNED. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT RECYCLING IS MANDATORY IN OCONTO COUNTY AND THE STATE OF WISCONSIN. BUSINESSES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 920-834-6827 OR VISIT www.co.oconto.wi.us

2023 OCONTO COUNTY RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTERS

To find recycling locations visit the Oconto County Website: www.co.oconto.wi.us and view County Quick Links to see an Interactive Recycling Map.

MUNICIPALITY HOURS OF OPERATION

Abrams 3394 Nikodem Ln. Bagley 9812 County Rd Z	Sat. 8:00am – 12pm Sun. 1pm – 3pm (4/1 – 8/31) & Wed. 5 – 7pm (4/1-10/31); Sat. 1pm – 3pm only (9/1 – 3/31)
Doty 16894 Star Lake Rd	Sun. 1pm – 4pm, Sat. & Wed. 9am – 12pm Open Memorial & Labor Day 9am-12pm
Lena/Village of Lena 301 West Railroad St.	Mon. 10am – 1pm (Tues. if holiday) Wed. 5pm – 7pm Sat. 8am – 12pm
Little Suamico 6297 Allen Rd	Sat 8am – 12pm Mon. 4pm – 7pm (closed on Holidays)
Maple Valley 8362 Brock Rd	Sat. 9am – 1pm & Tues 5pm-7pm (May – Oct 31); Sat. 9am – 1pm (Nov. – April 30)
Morgan 3276 CTY C	Sat. 8.15am – 12:15pm
Oconto 6608 Elm Grove School	Fri. 2pm – 4:15pm Sat. 9am – 1:45pm
Riverview 14319 Tar Dam Rd	Wed/Sat/Sun 1pm – 5pm (5/28 – 9/4) Wed/Sat/Sun 1pm – 4pm (9/5 – 5/25)
Riverview-Crooked Lake – 15702 Cty Rd W	Wed/Sat/Sun 1pm – 5pm (5/28 – 9/4) Wed/Sat/Sun 1pm – 4pm (9/5 – 5/25)
Stiles 5718 Watercrest Rd	Tues. 1pm – 5pm Sat. 8am – 12pm
*City of Oconto Falls & Town of Oconto Falls 325 Pioneer Dr	Tues. & Sat. 7am – 3pm
Village Suring/Town How 364 S. Knapp St.	Wed 12pm – 4pm (Nov-March) Wed 12pm – 5pm (April – Oct) Sat. 9am – 1pm (Nov – March) Sat. 8am – 1pm (April – Oct)

*The City of Oconto Falls maintains a Curbside pickup route for single stream recyclables. City residents can also take these recyclables to the City drop off center as single stream recyclables in the recycling roll off containers.

To save on recycling costs to your municipality, please take recyclables to your municipal drop-off center where you reside. Non-residents may be subject to additional charges to dispose of recyclables or not accepted at the drop off center.

The following municipalities manage the recycling for their citizens separately and are not affiliated with the Oconto County Recycling Program: Breed, Brazeau, Chase, Gillett (City & Town), Lakewood, Little River, Mountain, City of Oconto, Pensauckee, Spruce, Townsend, and Underhill.

Businesses are to provide for recycling through their contracted waste hauler. The municipal drop off centers are provided for the residential waste stream.

Recycle clean, dry plastic bags and film packaging

Look for this label on film products like these:

- Food Bags
- Produce Bags
- Food Storage Bags
- Garbage Bags
- Plastic, Paper, Foam, Paper-Wrap Packaging

plasticinrecycling.org

Recycle plastic bags, film & wrap at participating locations such as grocery, retail & hardware stores. Oconto Co. MRF & drop off centers do not accept plastic bags, film or wrap. Loose plastics, rope, hoses & clothing clogs up processing equipment causing unnecessary expenses at recycling facilities.



Don't rely on the Recycling Number on Plastics. "What does each number mean on a plastic container? Do we recycle only #1 and #2 plastics? The numbers called "resin identification codes" only identify the type of plastic resin the product was made from. The numbers don't necessarily mean that the plastic is recyclable. The resin code simply allows recycling plants to classify plastics to help know how to process the materials. The good news is that there is already a change in product labeling to make recycling more user-friendly. **How2Recycle** labeling has been developed to better explain if an item can or cannot be recycled, when to check with your local recycler and when to take the item to a retail store drop-off location and how to prep the item for recycling.

Accepted at most drop-off centers: Used Tires, Electronics, Fluorescent & other bulbs (consult with attendant)
Certain items may be directed to the Oconto Co Multi Resource Facility (MRF) Location: 153 Evergreen Rd, Oconto, WI (located in the Oconto Industrial Park) Hours are by appointment only contact Oconto Co Solid Waste Department at 920-834-6827



Electronics (TV's, PC's, Printers, Fax machines, DVD, VCR)

Properly recycle electronics to protect citizens and the environment. Businesses, agencies and institutions are not included in the household recycling program and are to manage their own waste.

Electronics Disposal Cost (subject to change)

Flat Screen TV's (LED, LCD, etc)	\$25
CRT TV's	\$30
Console type or Projection TV's	\$40
PC monitors	\$20
Misc. Electronics	\$4
(Microwaves, Printers, DVD Players, VCR's, Fax Machines, Telephones, Cameras, Etc.)	
Laptops, Hard drives	No Charge
Smoke Detectors	\$30
Electronic items with cords cut off or missing components.	Double Fee\$5

Fluorescent Bulbs/CFL's/LED'S, etc.

(Prices subject to change)	
(Package carefully to prevent breakage)	
LED bulbs (all sizes)	\$3.50
Fluorescent/Tubular Bulbs	\$0.75
Compacts (CFL's):	\$0.75
Shatterproof/Shielded Lamps: (plastic coated)	\$2.50
UV/Ultraviolet Bulbs	\$4.00
High Intensity Discharge: (mercury vapor, metal halide, high pressure sodium)	\$1.50
Ballasts (Non-PCB only)	\$1.00/pound
(must be removed from fixture)	

Alternative locations to recycle bulbs can be found on the **Earth911** website: www.earth911.org



Tire Recycling (prices subject to change)

All vehicle tires are accepted for disposal. Disposal cost is based on type of tire noted below:

Vehicle (passenger & light truck) & garden tires

- Passenger Tires	\$4.00
- SUV & Light Truck Tires	\$6.00
- Garden/Mower/ Kart Tires	\$2.00
- Tire with rim	Double fee

Semi & Large truck tires

- Semi or Large Truck	\$22.00
- Super Single/duplex	\$27.00

Agricultural or OTR Tires

- Small: 0-75 lbs	\$28.00
- Medium: 76-150 lbs	\$38.00
- Large: 151-225 lbs	\$50.00
- X-Large: 225-300 lbs	\$60.00
- Heavy Ply Tire with rim	Add \$40.00
- Tires over 300 lbs charge is by weight only (consult with site attendant as cost varies)	

Purchase a Compost Bin for \$35 and create your own garden compost. Composting is the natural decomposition of organic matter. Over one half of your household garbage is organic!



Mercury Thermostats are accepted free of charge at the Oconto County MRF. Broken thermostats are not accepted. Only wall mount thermostats with glass tube mercury switches are accepted. **Please recycle the entire thermostat.** For information on handling spills and cleanup search the EPA website www.epa.gov/hg/



How2Recycle labeling helps take the guess work out of how to recycle!!

