

RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL INFORMATION FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Smoke Detectors

If you have an ionizing smoke detector it will say on the detector "contains radioactive material." Manufacturers are currently recommending throwing them in the trash. According to the manufacturers, smoke alarms contain a very small amount of radioactive material which is not harmful to people or the environment.

Contact the manufacturer to see if out-of-service smoke detectors can be returned. Most manufacturers will take back their own detectors and dispose of or recycle the components.

Photoelectric and ionization smoke detectors can also be disposed of with household garbage.



Fire Extinguishers

To dispose of fire extinguishers, contact Fire Shield at 972-724-7800. Call in advance to drop off the extinguishers. Depending on the size and type of extinguisher, there is a small fee for disposal. (\$1.00 - \$5.00).

