

## WHY RECYCLE BATTERIES?

Batteries are made from important resources and chemicals, including lead, cadmium, zinc, lithium and mercury.

Recycling is one way you can help the environment. Each battery placed in the recycling box will be taken apart and many of the materials will be recovered and used to make new batteries or something else.

If you put your batteries into a rubbish bin they will be taken to landfill sites and the resources lost.

## WHICH BATTERIES CAN I RECYCLE?

Most types of batteries can be collected including:

- All AAA and AA cells
- Sizes C and D
- Button batteries (e.g. watch or hearing aid batteries)
- Mobile phone batteries
- Laptop batteries
- Powertool batteries

We can also accept rechargeable batteries.

## WHERE CAN I RECYCLE BATTERIES?

Most retailers of batteries and many Local Authorities will have containers that collect batteries for recycling. Public buildings and your workplace may also have containers.

Visit <https://erp-recycling.org/uk/batteries/> for information on your nearest battery collection point and further information on battery recycling.



## WHAT DO ALL THESE SYMBOLS MEAN?

All single use and rechargeable batteries, button cells and battery packs are marked with a crossed out wheellie bin symbol to show that they should be recycled rather than put in the bin.

Batteries containing hazardous materials such as mercury (Hg), cadmium (Cd) or lead (Pb) are marked with their chemical symbols as well.

