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# Recycling electrical and electronic products

What you need to know



Since 1 July 2007, the UK's Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations allow members of the public to deposit old electrical and electronic items at recycling sites across the UK, free of charge.

### **Why should I recycle my old electrical and electronic products?**

This is one of the fastest growing waste streams in the UK and our landfill sites are reaching full capacity. Much of this waste can be recycled and the resources recovered to make new consumer goods. We all have a part to play in protecting our environment for future generations.

### **How can I recycle my old electrical and electronic products?**

To find your nearest recycling sites for waste electrical and electronic products contact your local council or visit [www.recycle-more.co.uk](http://www.recycle-more.co.uk) and type your postcode into the recycling bank locator. You will also find advice and tips on the website about how to recycle waste electrical goods and other household items, making it quick and easy for you to recycle more.

### **How will I know whether the new products I buy can be recycled?**

All new electrical and electronic products sold now carry a 'crossed out wheeled bin' symbol (shown below) to help you identify which products are recyclable (or should be considered for repair or reuse). You do not have to have purchased new electrical and electronic equipment to be able to recycle your old equipment.



### **Will John Lewis and Waitrose accept my old electrical and electronic items back in-store?**

No, unfortunately John Lewis and Waitrose are unable to accept old appliances back in-store. We do not have a legal obligation to do so and are instead contributing to the funding of an alternative network of recycling points through the Distributor Take Back Scheme. Contact your local council or visit [www.recycle-more.co.uk](http://www.recycle-more.co.uk) to locate your nearest recycling bank for WEEE. Your local John Lewis or Waitrose store also has more information on the collection facilities available to you in your local area.

### **Will John Lewis still offer a collection service for large electrical products?**

John Lewis and Waitrose Food and Home will continue to offer collection services for large white electrical goods and some other large electricals. There will be a small charge for this service. Your local branch can provide details. The regulations do not give you entitlement to free collection of WEEE from your home. Local Authority bulky waste collections and collection by the Charitable and Voluntary Sector remain unaffected.

**Please help us to minimise the effect we all have on the environment by recycling your waste electrical and electronic products.**