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Butler County

2025 Holiday Recycling Guide

The holidays are a time of gathering together, but also a time when gifts, wrapping, and decorations generate more recyclable materials. Below are some tips on how to reuse or dispose of those items responsibly. If you plan to drop items off, **please call first** to make sure they are still being accepted.

Appliances

- If you are having new appliances delivered to your house this season, check with the retailer - many offer free or low cost take-away recycling service for the old appliance as part of delivery.
- If the appliances are still in good, working condition, you may be able to drop them off with a charitable organization like Salvation Army or Goodwill, or they may be accepted by businesses for resale or parts. **Make sure you call ahead and check before dropping appliances off.**

Batteries (household, regular type)

- Noble Environmental, through Butler County's Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections, accepts batteries at regularly scheduled collection events each year. Residents must pre-register to attend at www.nobleenviro.com or call 412.567.6566
- These are accepted at some Call2Recycle box locations. See rechargeable batteries below.

Batteries (rechargeable)

- Many Lowe's, Home Depot, and Staples locations accept rechargeable batteries through their participation in Call2Recycle's battery recycling program. Some of them accept single-use batteries as well.

Bubble Wrap/Packing Materials

- UPS stores and eBay shipping centers may accept packing materials. You can also save them for future use yourself, either to protect fragile decorations after the holidays or to ship gifts to far away friends and family for future occasions.

Cardboard

- You may be able to place cardboard in your curbside recycling bin - check with your hauler for more information.
- There is a public cardboard collection bin behind Cranberry Township's Municipal Building at 2525 Rochester Road, 16066. For more information, call Cranberry Township at (724) 776-4806.

Cards

- Cards are accepted in the green and yellow Paper Retriever bins around Butler County. To find a bin near you, call Royal Oak Recycling at (412) 329-2590.
Please note that this does not include foil-backed cards/envelopes. These are not recyclable, but can be re-used for craft projects.

Christmas Lights

- Some ACE Hardware store locations accept old Christmas lights for recycling.
- String lights can be mailed to Holiday LEDs for recycling. Please visit www.holidayleds.com for their full recycling guidelines.



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Christmas Trees - Please remember that trees must be completely free of all tinsel, flocking, etc.

- Seneca Landfill will accept trees free of all decoration for \$5 per tree through January 31, 2026.
- Many communities offer municipal collection for trees after the holidays, either curbside or at drop-off locations, and some local landscaping companies may also accept trees for recycling and composting. Please call your municipality or local landscaping center for details.
- Christmas trees also make great habitats! You can prop it in a corner of your yard for birds, or sink it in a pond for fish. More ideas on reusing your Christmas tree can be found at extension.psu.edu/recycling-a-real-christmas-tree

Clothing

- Clothing in good condition can be taken to Goodwill, Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul, or other charitable organizations, to be reused.
- Full Circle Textile Recycling takes old clothes in their bins. Visit www.fullcircletextilerecycling.com for a list of all of their bin locations.

Electronics

- Some electronics stores and charities will accept certain types of electronics for recycling. Please call a site near you to see what they can take.
- Noble Environmental, through Butler County's Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections, accepts this at regularly scheduled collection events each year. Residents must pre-register to attend at www.nobleenviro.com or call 412.567.6566

Glass (food grade bottles and jars)

- Some recycling haulers are once again accepting glass curbside. Contact your hauler to see what can be placed in your recycling bin.
- Jars and bottles can be repurposed into hundreds of fun and creative decorations for the holidays or any time of the year. Just search online for ideas and directions.

Toys/Sporting Gear

- Toys and sporting gear that are still in good condition can be taken to Goodwill, Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul, or other local charities.

Wrapping & Tissue Paper

- Can be placed in the green and yellow Paper Retriever bins around Butler County. To find a bin near you, please call Royal Oak Recycling at (412) 329-2590. **Paper that includes any foil or glitter cannot be recycled! Please do not place this paper in the bins, but you can save it to be reused.**



For more information on what to do with hard to recycle items, please call the Butler County Department of Recycling and Waste Management at (724) 284-5305, email skelly@co.butler.pa.us, or visit www.butlercountypa.gov.

