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# City of Rockford Responds to New Electronic Waste Disposal Requirements

ROCKFORD – The City of Rockford and Rock River Disposal announce the procedure for Rockford residents to follow in response to newly enacted legislation under the **Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Public Act 97-287** which prohibits the disposal of electronic waste into landfills.

Illinois residents are no longer able to dispose of “electronic waste” in their curbside garbage because the above law prohibits disposal of it into landfills. E-waste consists of computers, video game consoles, computer monitors, electronic mice, printers, scanners, televisions, digital converter boxes, electronic keyboards, cable receivers, fax machines, satellite receivers, videocassette recorders, digital video disc recorders, portable digital music players, small scale servers, DVD players, cellular telephones.

Rock River Disposal will provide three (3) drop-off sites that are open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00PM. The drop-off at these locations will be free of charge to Rockford residents. The drop-off locations are as follows:

**Rock River Environmental Services**

**5450 Wansford Way, Suite 225  
Rockford, IL 61109**

**Rock River Disposal**

**4002 South Main Street  
Rockford, IL 61102**

**Winnebago Landfill**

**8403 Lindenwood Road  
Rockford, IL 61109**

Curbside pick-up is also available for a \$35.00 fee. This fee is separate from the garbage cost reflected on normal water billing. It is a private arrangement between residents and Rock River Disposal. Call (815) 965-2489 during normal business hours to schedule a pick-up with a Customer Service Representative.

In addition to the above collection effort, several other outlets for disposal are available. Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful conducts an electronic recovery drive the first Saturday of May and October for most electronic items, except televisions. For further information call 815 637-1343 or online at [www.knib.org](http://www.knib.org). American Appliances (815 229-1401), Best Buy (815 395-8405), Joseph Behr and Sons (815 987-2680) and Goodwill Industries (815 965-3795) are other local efforts that collect varying types of electronics. Please call them for details and working hours.

The Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Public Act 97-287 went into effect January 1, 2012.