



Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Alarm Disposal

Proper Disposal of Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality recommends the following three ways to dispose of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm(s).

- 1) It is legal to dispose of your smoke alarm (up to 50) in the garbage; however, please remove the battery and recycle it. Wrap the alarm(s) in paper (newspaper) before placing in the garbage.
- 2) Contact your local recycle center to see if they take smoke or CO alarms. (Many do.)
- 3) Return the smoke alarm to the manufacturer.
 - When sending back a smoke alarm, remove the battery but do NOT disassemble the smoke alarm in any way, and include a note that the alarm is intended for disposal. The smoke alarm should be returned to the manufacturer by UPS ground mail (not airmail). No special shipping is needed.

Note: Contact Oregon Health Services for disposal of smoke alarms in quantities greater than 50 or return to the manufacture.