



Safety Instruction

Waste: Batteries

Batteries are considered Universal Waste under federal law. This is a special category of hazardous waste and must be managed/disposed of appropriately. EH&S handles battery collection and recycling on campus. This is accomplished in one of two ways.

- Battery Recycle Containers** – There are 5 gallon battery recycle containers (buckets) positioned around campus. These containers are for the recycle of any common battery size including 9 volt, AA, AAA, C, and D cell as well as rechargeable batteries for personal electronics (laptops, cell phones, etc.) and smaller 'button' type batteries. Any type of rechargeable or single use battery which will fit through the opening in the top of the bucket can be placed in these buckets including alkaline, Ni-MH, Lithium, Lithium-Ion, etc.
- Direct Pickup By EH&S** – This applies to car/truck sized batteries, lead-acid batteries from uninterruptable power supplies, wet cell batteries such as those from motorcycles/atv's and any battery too large to fit in the recycle bucket or which may leak.



For a direct pickup of batteries by EH&S or to notify EH&S about a full or nearly full battery recycle bucket at any campus location please submit a [Hazardous Waste Pickup Request](#).

Battery recycle containers are located in multiple locations around campus. Many departments have EH&S managed recycle containers in their office admin/recycle areas. If your department or building does not have a battery bucket and you believe your department/building generates enough batteries to require one please submit a hazardous waste pickup request and note in the comments that you are requesting a bucket but don't have one to pick up.

List of common area battery recycle containers on campus:

All Residence Halls – 1 st Floor Recycle Kiosk	Arnold Dining – Front Desk	Burt Hall – Receiving
Cascade Hall – Public Safety	Cordley Hall – West Loading Dock	Facilities Shops
Gilbert Hall – Chem Stores	Kerr Admin – Recycle Kiosk 1 st floor	Magruder Hall – Receiving
McNary Dining – Front Desk	Valley Library – By Circulation Desk	West Dining – Front Desk

A complete list of all recycle locations is included below

Note: Universal Waste refers to a specific set of hazardous waste items commonly used and disposed of by businesses and other non-households. Federal and state rules are meant to encourage and streamline management of these categories of waste. Batteries are one of these classes of universal waste. Different types of batteries contain chemicals and materials which may be harmful to people or the environment and need to be properly disposed of. OSU has programs in place, managed by EH&S, to assist the campus community with safely diverting these materials from the university hazardous waste stream into appropriate recycling. Batteries managed as universal waste can be recycled and avoid the expense and liability of being treated as hazardous waste.

Contact EHS:
 ehs@oregonstate.edu
 ehs.oregonstate.edu
 541 • 737 • 2273

Battery Recycle Container Locations

- Adams Hall – Main (East Side) entrance to the left
- Aero Lab - West Entrance 1 gal bucket by door
- ALS – 1st floor by freight elevator/mailboxes
- ALS – room 3015
- ALS – RM 4017
- Arnold Dining – kitchen/dish area
- Austin Hall – Room 302
- Ballard Extension – kitchen room 109
- Ballard Extension – kitchen room 234
- Beaver Store – Backroom along the wall
- Bexell – main office room 300 (2gal bucket)
- Burt – room 130 (freight area)
- Bloss Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Buxton – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Callahan Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Cascade Hall – Patrol RM on Left – Need to ask for access
- Cascade Hall - Outside Room 124
- Cauthorn Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Champinefu Lodge on Madison – hallway across from room 208
- CH2M Hill Alumni Center storage room 116
- Coast Range Building RM 1186
- Cordley – West loading dock area
- Crop Science – room 107/109
- Dearborn - room 006
- Dearborn – RM 120A 1 gal bucket
- Dearborn – outside room 222
- Dixon Rec – laundry room
- Dryden – main office next to the copier
- Facilities Stores – on the floor next to the main entrance
- Fairbanks – main hallway as you enter the West entrance on the right
- Finley Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Foundation Building – 4238 SW Research Way shipping and receiving area
- Gilmore 106
- Western Building – In kitchen (Old Foundation Bldg.)
- Furman - lobby
- Gilbert – Chem. Stores Rm 154
- Gilbert – Room 239 on the floor to the left as you walk in 1 gal bucket
- Gill – 104 mailroom
- Gilkey – 210 1 gal bucket (missing as of 04/19/22)
- Gilmore – 116 main office on shelf 1 gal bucket
- Graf – room 205
- Greenhouse (West) – same room as UWS (2gal bucket)
- Gleeson – 1st floor next to recycle kiosk
- Hallie Ford Center – room 238
- Halsell Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Hatfield Marine Science Center (HMSC) Mail Room 2 5 gal buckets
- Hawley Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Hyslop Farm – Main Shop next to Aerosol bin
- Housing & Dining Warehouse – UW recycle area
- International Living Learning Bldg. – room 175 next to the confidential bin
- International Living Learning Bldg. – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk (towards coffee shop)
- Jefferson Street Bldg. – back door West end of bldg. in Telecom office
- John L. Fryer Aquatic Animal Health Lab – Main Lab under sink - 1 gal bucket
- Johnson Hall – main office room 116
- Kearney Hall – Room 101
- Kelley Engineering Center – room 1140
- Kelley Engineering Center – outside room 2089
- Kelley Engineering Center – room 2002
- Kerr Admin – 1st floor by recycling kiosk
- Langnton 123 – Kids Spirt Office
- Lewis Brown Farm – main shop
- Student Innovation Center (LiNC) – student computer room 4th floor
- LPSC – 1st floor by chem stores
- LPSC – 3rd-floor kitchen by the copy machine
- Magruder – outside receiving doors
- MBI (ATAMI Building 11 HP)– hazardous waste holding area in receiving area (Bay door #8)
- MBI (ATAMI Building 11 HP) 2nd floor office copy room
- McNary Dining – Student Front Desk/Mail area
- McNary Hall – main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Memorial Union – shops area (basement)
- Milne 201 – IT front desk area
- Moreland - 202 copy room 1 gal bucket
- Motor pool – inside the main shop area
- Nash 104 – Main office mail/copy room
- Nash 225 – Microbiology office
- Oak Creek Bldg. – 1st-floor mail room South entrance
- Oak Creek Bldg. – room 219 to the left

- Ocean Observation Center – 2 buckets main bay next to the rack on the left as you enter the roll-up door
- Oceanography Wood Shop - South of Magruder next to the aerosol container
- Oregon Hatchery Research Center – Past Alsea Oregon in the electrical room
- Owen 235 – on the floor to the right
- Peavy Arboretum – Main office recycle area
- Peavy Hall – RM 201 Copy room
- Peavy Hall – RM 209 IT room
- Pharmacy – 2nd floor copy room across from main office
- Plagman – room 104 – closet for Bio boxes 1 gal bucket on the shelf
- Poling Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Printing & Mailing – next to the water fountain in the main bay @ Nypro Bldg.
- Radiation Center – hallway by mailboxes
- Reed Lodge – next to copy machine
- Richardson – 2nd floor Forestry Computer help desk
- Richardson – room 201 (mailroom)
- Richardson – room 321
- Rogers – room 224
- Rowing Crew Building – shop upstairs – (John's Office)
- Seed Lab – North entrance in the back storage room
- Student Experience Center – 4th room 404
- Sackett Hall – 2 Buckets – Northside and East side lobbies
- Sinnhuber Aquatic Animal Health Lab – Room 118
- Ship Operations Newport – main bay next to aerosols container
- Snell Hall – RM 030 basement
- Snell RM 304B Animal Rangeland Science Main Office
- Strand Ag RM 430 – 1 gal bucket on the counter in the main office
- Strand Ag RM 344 – copy room
- Student Innovation Center (LiNC) – student computer room 4th floor
- Student Experience Center – RM 108 main office area

- Surplus Property Warehouse – In cabinet
- Turf Farm – South of Lewis Brown Farm up the hill -shop
- Tebeau Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- University Plaza – Suite 350 Sea Grant Office (No Key if locked)
- University Plaza - Suite 100 B
- University Plaza - Suite 150
- University Plaza – Suite 250
- USDA Hort Crop – Front Lobby under stairs
- USDA – Forage Seed Building – Back Receiving room
- USDA Forest Service Research Station Alsea
- Valley Football Center – Video room 2nd floor
- Valley Library – Main entrance North side inside the door to the left
- Valley Library – RM 3730 recycling area
- Valley Library – 4th-floor main office kitchen area
- Valley Library – Media Hub RM 2035 – backroom
- Valley Library – 2nd-floor Circulation Desk in the back by the recycling area
- Veg Farm – U-shaped building to the left of the main shop next to the bathroom/backroom
- Waldo – RM 102 main office
- Wave Lab – North Entrance recycling area
- Weatherford Hall – Main North entrance by trash compactor just inside the door
- Western Bldg. (old foundation Bldg.) Kitchen area
- Western Shops - Ocean mixing Lab Bldg. 226 Next to flame cabinet
- Western Shops – Bldg. 222
- West Dining – Front Desk
- West Hall – Main lobby next to recycling kiosk
- Weigand – RM 100C
- Weniger – Lobby Thru the West entrance
- Weniger – RM 518B copy Room
- Weniger – RM 202 Physics prep room
- Weniger – RM 110
- Wilkinson – RM 104 Main office
- Withycombe – RM 118
- Wilson Hall – Main lobby next to recycling Kiosk
- Willamette Station – Main office
- World Plant Collections 33447 Peoria Rd – Main office