

Wickes

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Battery Recycling – Customer Information Sheet

Why are Wickes involved?

From 1st February 2010, retailers who sell over 32kg of portable batteries are required to take back customer portable batteries free of charge. Customers are not required to purchase new batteries when returning old batteries.

This is a requirement under the Waste Batteries & Accumulators Regulations 2009.

Examples of batteries that can be returned to Wickes:

AA, AAA, D-cell, A-cell, 9-Volt, button batteries, rechargeable batteries, wrapped cell batteries e.g. power tools, mobile phone, laptop batteries (this list is not exhaustive)



Examples of batteries that cannot be returned to Wickes:

Automotive batteries and industrial batteries



Aim of the legislation

Waste batteries and accumulators (rechargeable batteries) can damage the environment and cause health problems, when disposed of in landfill, as many batteries contain toxic chemicals.

The batteries regulations limit the use of these chemicals by manufacturers and make producers responsible for the collection and recycling of batteries.

To remind consumers to recycle, batteries are marked with the crossed out wheeled bin symbol.



Where else can I recycle batteries?

Where practical, old batteries should not be disposed of with your household waste. You can locate your closest Civic Amenity battery recycling site at: www.recycle-more.co.uk (have your postcode to hand) or by calling the 'Recycle More Helpline' on **08450 682 572**