



2021 Butler County Holiday Recycling Guide



At this time of the year, we often produce more standard recyclables while also having some items that we aren't quite sure what to do with. Here is a guide for some of those items. (Note: If dropping an item off, always call first to be sure they can accept it and to be sure there are no COVID restrictions.)

Appliances

- * When buying a new appliance and it is being delivered to your home check with your retailer - many offer free or low cost take-away recycling service for the old appliance at the time of delivery.
- * Some good, working and reusable appliances can either be dropped off at Goodwill / Salvation Army or other charitable organizations, businesses that sell used appliances, or may be taken for parts by repair businesses -call before dropping off.

Batteries (household, regular type)

- * Butler County is currently in the process of finding a new hazardous waste and electronics collections contractor to continue collections held each year for these types of items— in the meantime, please email skelly@co.butler.pa.us, call (724) 284-5305 or check www.butlercountypa.gov/ for more information.



Batteries (rechargeable)

- * Rechargeable batteries are accepted at the service desk for free at many Home Depot and Lowe's for recycling. Call first to be sure they still accept them.

Bubble Wrap

- * Check at UPS Stores and may also be taken by Ebay shipping centers. Save and reuse for wrapping breakable ornaments after the holidays, or in the future for wrapping presents or for shipping.

Cardboard

- * Cardboard can be placed in some curbside recycling bins—please call your waste / recycling hauler for more information.
- * Drop off behind the Cranberry Township Municipal Building, 2525 Rochester Rd, 16066 in the public cardboard collection bin - for more information call Cranberry Township at (724) 776-4806.

Cards (Note: does not include foil-backed cards/envelopes which are not recyclable but these can be re-used for craft projects)

- * Cards are accepted 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.

Christmas Trees—PLEASE REMEMBER THAT TREES MUST BE COMPLETELY FREE OF ALL TINSEL, FLOCKING, ETC.

- * Trees will be accepted at the following locations this year for recycling/composting—
 1. **Slippery Rock Community Park** – 320 N. Main St., Slippery Rock 16057 (724) 794-8180 (free drop off Dec.26, 2021 - Jan. 9, 2022) Drop off site will be clearly marked and trees must be placed in that area. Trees must be free of all decorations.
 2. **Other**—some communities have municipal collections for Christmas tree recycling and some local landscaping companies may also accept trees for recycling and composting. Please call your municipality or local landscaping center for details.



Please note that cut trees can also be used in your yard to construct hedge rows as cover for birds and wildlife!



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Clothing

- * Reusable clothing can be taken to Goodwill, Salvation Army or St. Vincent DePaul in Butler or Cranberry or other charitable organizations.

Electronics

- * Best Buy Electronics is limited on the types of electronics they will accept - call the Cranberry store at (724) 778-8300 or any other Best Buy store for more information.
- * Goodwill will take some types of electronics for recycling—call a site near you for more information.
- * Certain office supply stores will take some types of electronics for recycling - call your local store for details.
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Glass *(food-related jars and bottles)*

- * At a time when it is extremely difficult to recycle glass bottles and jars, there are hundreds of ways they can be used to create decorations for any time of the year. Just search online for “glass bottle decoration ideas” or “glass reuse ideas.”



Packing Peanuts

- * May be accepted at many UPS Stores or Ebay shippers. They can also be used for storage of breakable holiday decorations.

Toys / Sporting Gear

- * Reusable toys and sporting gear can be taken to Goodwill, Salvation Army or St. Vincent DePaul and other local charities.

Wrapping & Tissue Paper *(Note: does not include paper that includes any foil / glitter- which is not recyclable, but can be reused!)*

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For more information on what to do with hard to recycle items, please call the Butler County Dept. of Recycling & Waste Mgt. at (724) 284-5305 or email skelly@co.butler.pa.us or visit <https://www.butlercountypa.gov/>