E-CIGARETTES, VAPE DEVICES & E-LIQUIDS

E-CIGARETTES / VAPE DEVICES / E-LIQUIDS
ARE HAZARDOUS WASTE
DO NOT PLACE IN TRASH OR RECYCLING BINS

DO NOT REMOVE BATTERIES
Place in plastic zip-type bag
BRING TO ecopark -- NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

ecopark HOURS OF OPERATION
Wednesday...........................................1pm - 6:30pm
Saturday.............................................7:30am - 1pm
(Closed on Holidays)
10 Avion Drive Rochester, NY 14624

• E-Cigarettes:
  Disposable, Prefilled or Refillable - No tank or pod
  Cartridge attached to pen containing battery

• Tanks / Mods:
  Designed for multiple uses
  Can be filled with different substances and modified to vary voltage

• Pod Mods:
  E-cigarette or vaping device with prefilled
  OR refillable pod;
  OR pod cartridge with modifiable pod system;
  Come in many sizes, shapes, colors
  Compatible prefilled pod cartridges that contain nicotine, THC, or CBD –
  with or without flavors

• E-Liquids:
  Typically a mixture of water, flavoring,
  choice of nicotine levels or cannabis
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q | Why is it important that I properly dispose of e-cigarettes, vaping devices and e-liquids?
A | Simply tossing these devices or containers into the trash or recycling bin when finished can have serious consequences for human health and the environment:
- E-cigarettes and vaping devices are powered by lithium-ion batteries. Under pressure, heat and/or physical perforation, these batteries can ignite and cause fires in trash and recycling bins, which present major hazards for truck operators, recycling facilities and landfills.
- Lithium-ion batteries contain lithium, cobalt, carbon and graphite, as well as electrolyte fluid and solvents, which can poison soil and waterways and endanger human and animal health.
- Nicotine is classified as an acute hazardous waste and can lead to unintentional exposure and accidental poisoning.

Q | How should I handle and store these devices?
A | - Do NOT rinse spent cartridges to remove residue.
- Handle used and spent cartridges carefully to avoid unintentional exposure. Some products can be dangerous and deadly if ingested or absorbed through the skin.
- Store all items in a cool, temperature controlled environment in a sealed container that is clearly labelled. A zip-type bag is acceptable for residential disposal. Deliver the container promptly to the ecopark.
- Always keep devices, cartridges, pods and bottles out of the reach of children.
- If a device battery begins smoking, immerse in water immediately and properly dispose as soon as possible.

Q | Are there additional programs available for disposal?
A | Many manufacturers will accept used devices. Find the contact details for the manufacturer and ask how products should be packaged for return.

Q | How should institutions with a quantity of devices arrange for proper disposal?
A | Schools, universities and other organizations that have a large quantity of e-cigarettes and vaping devices should utilize the Monroe County / Waste Management ecopark’s Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Program (CESQG).


MORE QUESTIONS?
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