

How should we dispose of dead batteries?

Batteries are tricky because they come in three basic types:

Flashlight batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9 volt, alkaline or non-alkaline) may be put in the trash. Years ago these batteries contained mercury but that has long been discontinued in their manufacture and they may be safely put in the trash.

Rechargeable batteries must be recycled and not put in the trash. However, they must be disposed of at a designated Brunswick drop off box for rechargeable batteries; these are located at the Landfill, Public Works, and the Library

Button batteries and Special lithium ion non-rechargeable batteries (usually for digital cameras) are deemed hazardous and need to be safely stored and brought to the Town's fall Household Hazardous Waste Collection program.