

ELECTRONICS BANNED FROM GARBAGE

Effective January 1, 2011 it is no longer permissible to put electronic waste (e-waste) out with your trash for pickup. Items banned include computer cases, CPU's, keyboards, mice, monitors, scanners, printers, cables, laptops, peripherals, televisions, radios, phones, cameras, VCR's, DVD players and stereo components. E-waste contains many toxins known to negatively affect human and environmental health, including lead, mercury, cadmium, nickel, zinc and brominated flame retardants, and by law, must now be recycled.

Eliminating e-waste from the trash stream also benefits Manasquan by reducing the tonnage which must be carted away to the waste disposal sites. What this means is that we spend less tax dollars on trash while also helping to eliminate very toxic chemicals from the landfills at the same time.

Many community based organizations such as Goodwill and The Salvation Army accept e-waste as do Best Buy stores. For more detailed information regarding e-waste please visit www.recyclenj.org and click on the NJGreen tab.

For your convenience Manasquan residents can dispose of e-waste at the Borough Recycling Yard.

If you have questions or comments please write to environmentalcommission@manasquan-nj.com.