

# BATTERY BLITZ

Batteries power many of the gadgets we use every day, like remotes, wireless mice and keyboards, clocks, and more. When batteries stop working, tossing them in the trash or a regular recycling bin is dangerous. Even “dead” batteries can still have a little charge left, and if they touch metal, they can spark. They could also get crushed in garbage trucks, which can actually start fires in the truck or at waste facilities. On top of that, batteries can leak harmful chemicals that could end up in the soil and water.

Good thing there’s a safe and easy way to recycle them!

**Did You Know?** Recycling batteries recovers valuable metals which can be reused to make new products, like silverware, stainless steel, golf clubs, bikes, and even new batteries! This helps cut down on mining for new materials, uses less energy, and supports a **circular economy**.



**YOUR PROJECT:** Collect used batteries and drop them off at your local battery recycling station

## STEP 1: 📍 FIND YOUR DROP OFF LOCATION

Use the [Recycle Your Batteries, Canada! online locator tool](#) to find your closest drop-off location.

## STEP 2: 💡 PLAN YOUR COLLECTION

To start, make a quick plan to get permission and support:

- Where will you collect batteries?
  - At school, in your neighbourhood, or at places like a community centre or library
- When will the collection happen?
  - Work with your school principal or parents to choose a collection date
- How will you collect them?
  - Ask your neighbours, relatives, and friends to save theirs for you
  - Tell staff and students at school to bring them in for a collection day

## STEP 3: 📣 SPREAD THE WORD

Once you have the details sorted, promote your battery collection by making posters, doing announcements at school, posting on bulletin boards, or dropping off flyers to neighbours. Include information like:

- **What** types of household batteries you’re collecting (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, coin/button cell)
- **What** types of batteries you’re **NOT** collecting (car batteries, damaged lithium batteries)
- **Where and when** they’ll be collected
- **How** to safely transport them (in a **non-metal container**, with the ends taped)

**CHECK OUT OUR PROMO TOOLKIT**





# BATTERY COLLECTION PROMO TOOLKIT

Get as many batteries as you can by spreading the word in different ways. The more people know, the bigger the impact! Need some help promoting your collection? We've got you covered! Use our promo toolkit to help.

**Ways to promote your collection:** Posters around school, flyers on doors or lockers, social media posts, school morning announcements, newsletters or emails, bulletin boards

## What people need to know

- **What** types of household batteries are you collecting?  
AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, coin/button cell
- **How, when, and where?**  
For a collection station: Clearly state when and where batteries should be dropped off  
For neighbourhood collection: Indicate what time batteries should be left outside front doors by, and when you'll be around to collect them.
- **Why** does it matter?  
Batteries don't belong in the trash. The chemicals in batteries can pose a threat to people, soil, and water. Recycling batteries help protect our natural resources and promotes sustainable habits..

## Sample promo lines

- "Help keep batteries out of landfill!"
- "Used batteries wanted!"
- "Protect our planet - recycle your batteries!"

## Sample school announcement

"Did you know that your batteries aren't supposed to go in the garbage or regular recycling bins? That can actually cause fires and also harm the environment. Instead, they should be recycled and turned into something new. I'm collecting used household batteries, like AA, AAA, 9-volt, and button cell batteries for proper recycling. On **[date]** drop them off in the bin located in **[location ex. main office or library]**.  
Thanks for helping!"

Customize our **flyer templates** on Canva or print out our ready-made flyers and write in your details!

### CANVA TEMPLATE LINKS

**FLYER FOR  
SCHOOL  
COLLECTION**

**FLYER FOR  
NEIGHBOURHOOD  
PICK-UP**

### SAMPLE INSTAGRAM POST



**[SCHOOL NAME]**  
**BATTERY COLLECTION DAY**

**Bring in your old batteries for recycling!**  
By safely collecting and recycling dead batteries, we can make sure they don't end up in landfills, where they can be harmful to the environment.

**Help our school be a little greener by reducing waste!**

**[DATE/TIME]**  
**[DROP-OFF LOCATION]**



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**SAMPLE  
SOCIAL MEDIA  
GRAPHIC**

#### Sample caption

⚡🔋 Got old batteries? Don't trash them!

[School name] is having a Battery Collection Day to help the planet. By safely collecting and recycling dead batteries, we can make sure they don't end up in landfills, where they can be harmful to the environment (and the animals we love). Easy action for major impact 🙌

Drop off your old batteries at:

📍 [location at school]  
📅 [date/time]

Here's how:

1. Gather old batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, button cell)
2. Tape the ends + put in a non-metal container or bag
3. Bring them on collection day

Check your room, your desk, and that random junk drawer in your kitchen to #RecycleYourBatteries! 🗑️

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**WHEN**

**WHERE**

## HOW

1. Gather old batteries from home  
Accepted types: AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, button cell
2. Tape the ends\* and put in a bag
3. Bring in on collection day



\* Which batteries need taping?  
Scan to find out

Batteries will be taken to a recycling station

## INITIATIVE LED BY

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# GOT OLD BATTERIES? I'LL RECYCLE THEM FOR YOU!



Hi Neighbour! I'm  in grade  and I'm collecting dead batteries to help our community reduce waste! By safely collecting and recycling dead batteries, we can make sure they don't end up in landfills, where they can be harmful to the environment.

## HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

1. Gather up your old batteries  
Accepted types: AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, button cell
2. Tape the terminals\* and store in a bag
3. Place outside your front door for me to pick up by:

(Date & time)



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