

NYS Rechargeable Battery Recycling Law

Beginning June 8, 2011 retailers that sell covered rechargeable batteries will be required to accept used rechargeable batteries from consumers **at no cost to the consumer** during normal business hours.

Batteries covered by the law include:

- Nickel-cadmium
- Sealed lead
- Lithium ion
- Nickel metal hydride
- Any other such dry cell battery capable of being charged
- Battery packs containing any of the above mentioned batteries



Beginning December 5, 2011 a disposal ban goes in to effect which prohibits the disposal of rechargeable batteries in the trash. Persons knowingly disposing of rechargeable batteries are subject to fines of \$50-1st offense, \$100-2nd offense, \$200-third or subsequent offense.



A retailer must accept up to 10 batteries per day from any person regardless of whether they purchase replacement batteries or a retailer must accept as many batteries as a consumer purchases from the retailer.



Additionally, rechargeable batteries are accepted for recycling at:

Jefferson County Recycling & Waste Management

27138 NYS Rt 12

Watertown, NY

(315)785-9072

For more information, visit www.NorthCountryRecycles.org