

Jackson County Health Department



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HOLIDAY LIGHT RECYCLING

Murphysboro, IL – Do you have holiday lights you are no longer using? You can recycle your unwanted holiday string lights, working or non-working, through the Jackson County electronics recycling program year round at Southern Recycling Center (SRC), 300 West Chestnut Street, Carbondale, IL.

In addition to the permanent location, now through January 31, 2024, additional drop-off locations will be available for holiday light recycling. Look for the collection bin at these locations during regular business hours:

Jackson County Health Department (inside front & back buildings)
415 Health Department Road, Murphysboro, IL
Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Murphysboro Park District/Murphysboro Youth and Recreation Center
1818 West Walnut Street, Murphysboro, IL
Mon. – Fri., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Carbondale Public Library
405 West Main Street, Carbondale, IL
Mon. – Thurs., 9 a.m. – 8 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Sun., 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.

SIU Sustainability Hub within the SIU Student Center
1255 Lincoln Drive,
Carbondale, IL
Mon – Fri., 8 – 4:30

Types of lights accepted include: mini-lights, C7 and C9 bulb lights on a string, rope lights, LED lights, and extension cords of any length. Residents should remove any tinsel, garland or other decorative items from the light sets before they are dropped off. The lights are shipped to a registered recycling facility where components are broken down for recycling into various new products.

Items **not** accepted include: household light bulbs, compact fluorescent lamps, floodlights or fluorescent tubes.

Also, when buying new holiday lights, consider purchasing LED lights, they are 85% more efficient than traditional light bulbs and last longer.

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