

**Q: How are electronics recycled?**

**A:** Recycling electronics involves processing the materials and recovering metals, glass and plastics that can be recycled into new products.

**Q: Where will my unwanted electronics go?**

**A:** The electronics will be transported to a consolidation centre where they will be sorted for processing. From there, all material will be transferred to approved processing and recycling facilities. Recyclers will be required to meet Electronics Product Stewardship Canada's (EPSC) Electronics Recycling Standard ([www.epsc.ca/recycle](http://www.epsc.ca/recycle)), which outlines the requirements for environmentally sound recycling in accordance with appropriate health, safety and export provisions.

**Q: If I return my unwanted computer, how do I know my personal information will not be seen or stolen?**

**A:** Once an electronic item is dropped off at an ACES Drop-off Centre, it will be sent to an approved recycler for processing. However, for your own personal security, you should take steps to make sure that private data is removed from your computer. When your unwanted electronic product is recycled, every effort is made to ensure the privacy and security of any personal information; however, the ACES program cannot accept liability for data that was left on the computer.

**Q: Who is managing the electronics recycling program?**

**A:** Atlantic Canada Electronics Stewardship (ACES), an industry-led not-for-profit association, is responsible for the program in Nova Scotia. ACES was established by Electronic Product Stewardship Canada (EPSC) and the Retail Council of Canada (RCC) to implement an Electronics Stewardship Program which has been approved by the Province of Nova Scotia. ACES is committed to ensuring that electronic waste is recycled in an environmentally responsible manner.

ACES contracted the Resource Recovery Fund Board Inc. (RRFB Nova Scotia) to administer the program. RRFB Nova Scotia looks after a wide range of waste diversion, recycling and stewardship programs including the beverage container and leftover paint recycling programs and the used tire management program. RRFB Nova Scotia also funds municipal recycling, composting and environmental education programs, along with business development programs that transform waste materials into new opportunities.

**Q: What if I have a large volume of unwanted electronics?**

**A:** All ACES Drop-off Centres accept large volumes of unwanted electronic material. Please contact ACES at [info@acestewardship.ca](mailto:info@acestewardship.ca) or 1-877-774-3260 to find an ACES Drop-off Centre near you and schedule a delivery.

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# Where can I recycle my unwanted TV, computer, monitor or printer?



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**Q: What is the Atlantic Canada Electronics Stewardship (ACES) Program?**

**A:** The Atlantic Canada Electronics Stewardship (ACES) Program is an industry-led electronics recycling program approved by the Province of Nova Scotia and available to all consumers and businesses in the province. Beginning February 1, 2008, Nova Scotians will be able to recycle unwanted computers, monitors, printers and televisions responsibly by dropping these items off at an ACES Drop-off Centre.

**Q: Why do I have to recycle my unwanted electronics?**

**A:** As of February 1, 2008, certain electronic products regulated under Nova Scotia legislation are banned from disposal in Nova Scotia's landfills. This material must be recycled under the ACES Program. Materials found in electronic items such as steel, glass, copper, aluminum, plastic and precious metals can be extracted and recycled into new products. The ACES Program makes sure that these materials are recycled responsibly.

**Q: How is the ACES program funded?**

**A:** An Environmental Handling Fee (EHF) will be applied to the sale of new products regulated under the Nova Scotia Electronic Products Stewardship Program Regulation. All of the program revenue will be used for the administration, collection, transportation and responsible recycling of unwanted electronics in Nova Scotia. The implementation of the fee coincides with the start up of the ACES program, February 1, 2008.

**Q: What regulated electronic items are included in the ACES Program and how much are the Environmental Handling Fees (EHF)?**

**A:** As of February 1, 2008, the following electronic products are regulated in Nova Scotia and are accepted in the ACES Program:



**DESKTOP COMPUTERS – \$10 EHF**

Includes Central Processing Units (CPUs), mice, keyboards, cables and other components within the computer. This includes desktop computers, desktop computers acting as servers, and all associated keyboards and cabling.



**MONITORS – \$12 EHF**

A display device used for displaying images from computers or other sources that does not meet the definition of a television. This includes traditional Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) and all flat panel display technologies such as LCD and plasma.



**NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS – \$5 EHF**

Includes portable computers such as notebook, laptop and tablet PCs.



**DESKTOP PRINTERS – \$8 EHF**

This includes printing devices that are designed to reside on a work surface, and includes various printing technologies, including Laser & LED (electrophotographic), ink jet, dot matrix, thermal, dye sublimation and "multi-function" devices that may copy, scan, fax, or print.



**TELEVISIONS – \$15 - \$45 EHF**

A video display device with an imbedded television tuner. This includes various display technologies, such as traditional Cathode Ray Tube (CRT), flat panel (LCD and plasma) or rear projection.

18" or less	\$15
19" to 29"	\$25
30" to 45"	\$30
46" and up	\$45

For detailed information on any of these regulated products visit [www.ACESstewardship.ca](http://www.ACESstewardship.ca)

**Q: Why can't I put unwanted electronic material out with my garbage?**

**A:** Effective February 1, 2008, computers, monitors, printers and televisions are banned from disposal in Nova Scotia's landfills. This material is now regulated under Nova Scotia's Electronic Products Stewardship Program Regulation and must be recycled through an ACES Drop-off Centre.

**Q: Why is this program important?**

**A:** The ACES program ensures that electronics are managed and recycled in a safe and environmentally sound manner. This program prohibits the use of prison labour and the export of scrap electronics and hazardous materials to developing nations.

**Q: Can I return my stereo, DVD player, or cell phone?**

**A:** No. These items come under the next phase of the Nova Scotia Electronic Products Stewardship Regulation which takes effect in February 2009. Computers, monitors, televisions and printers that are integrated into non-program products, such as vehicles or industrial equipment, are currently excluded from the program.

**Q: Isn't it important to reuse electronics before recycling?**

**A:** Absolutely. The ACES Program is designed to manage unwanted electronic products that have exhausted their reuse potential. If your electronic items are not at the end of their useful life, you are encouraged to donate them to family members, friends or local charities.