

?? Disposal instructions for batteries

Batteries must not be disposed of in household waste. As a consumer, you are legally obliged to return defective batteries that can no longer be charged for proper disposal. You can hand in your batteries at public collection points in your community and wherever batteries of the same type are sold.

Electrical devices contain valuable resources, but also pollutants. The collection points give them to certified waste disposal companies who check whether the devices can be reused. Ideally, old devices can be refurbished. If not, pollutants are removed from the devices and valuable resources are recycled if necessary. This protects the environment.

Note on waste avoidance

According to Directive 2008/98/EC on waste and the legislation of the Member States of the European Union, waste prevention measures generally have priority over waste management measures. In order to avoid waste, the main aim of electrical and electronic devices is to extend their service life by repairing defective devices and selling functional used devices instead of disposing of them. The federal waste prevention program contains further information.

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