

Re-Use-It Newton

Mission Statement

The purpose of Re-Use-It Newton is to reduce the amount of usable materials entering the waste stream. It provides Newton residents with a place to give away usable items they no longer want or need, and to take things they can use.

The Re-Use-It Newton area is intended as a place for the free exchange of goods among Newton residents, with the priority for personal use.

Re-Use-It Newton Shopping Guidelines

Shoppers are expected to limit the number of items they take to allow fair access for everyone.

“Shopping” time is limited to 15 minutes and 1 visit per day.

Access to Re-Use-It Newton is a privilege, not a right. DPW Staff and their designees have the authority to restrict access to the Re-Use-It Newton to any individual they feel may be interfering with the mission or effective operation of Re-Use-It Newton.

These guidelines may be adjusted to accommodate changing needs. As changes are made, all volunteers will be informed of the changes.

Re-Use-It Newton Drop-Off Guidelines

All items must be approved by a volunteer before being dropped off. Unaccepted items that cannot be recycled must be removed by the resident from the Resource Recovery Center. Decisions of the volunteers and DPW Staff are final.

Only Newton residents may drop off items. Items from non-residents and businesses will not be accepted. Proof of Newton residency must be presented upon request.

Please drop off items as early in the day as possible to increase the chance that they will find a new home. Storage space is very limited.

Acceptable Items include:

Items must be:

- Complete
- Unbroken
- In Usable Condition
- Clean

A good guideline for volunteers to follow: “Would you bring the item as-is into your own home?”

Categories of acceptable items include: toys, kitchen wares, home office accessories, outdoor tools & equipment, sporting goods, home décor, home electronics, clothing, bathroom storage items, small furniture, pet care, automotive supplies

Metal items in good condition, such as patio furniture, lamps, bicycles/tricycles, sleds, planters, hardware, and tools are accepted.

Unacceptable Items include:

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| Appliances (large) | Linens (unless new in package) |
| Broken, incomplete, or moldy items | Mattresses |
| Blinds (unless new in package) | Paint |
| Building materials (drywall, pipes, etc.) | Pressed wood/particle board furniture |
| Children's car seats over 5 years old | Rugs |
| Computer monitors | Sinks/toilets |
| Construction materials | TVs |
| Cosmetics & Personal Care Products | Tiles |
| Cribs | Tires |
| Cushions & pillows | Upholstered furniture |
| Hazardous materials | Large furniture |
| Hoses (unless new in package) | |

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