

EXPANSION OF THE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING PROGRAM

The electronics recycling program is expanding on **April 1, 2025**, to include over 500 items from our ePilot. As the first province in Canada to establish an electronics recycling program, Alberta continues to lead with this expansion—made possible by the hard work of our valued ePilot partners since 2020.

Eligible Products:

- Computers and servers
- Laptops, tablets and notebooks
- Visual Display and all-in-one devices
- Printers, copiers, scanners, and fax machines
- Home small appliances
- AV, telecom, toys, and music
- Tools, lawn and garden

Starting in April, reporting on the collection of electronics will no longer require separate reporting of electronics and ePilot material, streamlining the process for collection sites. If you have any questions regarding how to complete your claims or require clarification, email collection.sites@albertarecycling.ca.



TRANSITION OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERY RECYCLING

As of **April 1, 2025**, loose household batteries previously managed under the ePilot (since May 2022) will transition to the Hazardous and Special Products (HSP) category under Alberta's Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) framework. For more details on HSP, visit the ARMA website or email inquiries to epr@albertarecycling.ca.

How Batteries Will Be Managed:

Electronics Recycling Program:

Includes single-use and rechargeable batteries embedded in or received with eligible electronic devices.

HSP:

Covers loose household single-use and rechargeable batteries, except:

- Batteries weighing 5 kg or more
- Lead-acid batteries



HELPING YOU HELP ALBERTANS RECYCLE— WITH GRANTS

ARMA offers many grants to collection sites and communities.

Used Oil Materials Support Grant

Designed to improve how used oil, oil filters, and empty oil containers are managed at landfills, transfer stations, and recycling depots.

The benefits include:

1. Ensuring used oil materials collected at sites are stored safely and securely.
2. Improving access to used oil materials recycling to Albertans.

Beyond-The-Bin Recycling Roundup Grant

Previously called the Municipal Roundup Grant, ARMA continues to provide funding to Municipalities, Indigenous communities, regional waste authorities and commissions, and registered collection sites to hold a Recycling Roundup to collect old electronics, paint, scrap tires, and used oil materials.

Tire Recycling Demonstration Grant

Returning this year, this grant provides funding to Alberta municipalities, Indigenous communities, and non-profit organizations to incorporate recycled tire products into their community projects.

Learn about these funding opportunities and their application intake periods by visiting our website or emailing grants@albertarecycling.ca.



SIGNAGE USE



Please display ARMA-provided signage appropriately and do not alter or dispose of it. This signage helps raise awareness and guide proper material disposal.

TIRE-DERIVED AGGREGATE (TDA)

TDA, made from mechanically shredding scrap tires, is an engineered product used in drainage systems and road construction. ARMA-approved processors produce TDA, offering significant cost savings over conventional aggregate. Alberta's Tire Recycling Program funds 100% of TDA production costs and partially covers delivery expenses.

For more information on TDA or to acquire it for your project, visit our TDA web page or contact our Tire Program Administrator at info@albertarecycling.ca or 1.888.999.8762.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR EPR

With the start of EPR in the province on **April 1, 2025**, communities that have not registered for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) can still do so.

Benefits of registering in EPR include:

- **Cost Savings:** Recycling service costs are transferred to producers, reducing utility or tax levies.
- **Access to Recycling Services:** Communities without recycling programs gain services matching their waste collection systems.
- **Environmental Benefits:**
 - Reduced landfill waste.
 - Conservation of valuable resources through recycling.
 - Economic benefits, including job creation in the recycling industry.

Contact us at epr_registration@albertarecycling.ca for personalized support or if you have questions.

RENEWABLES

With the expansion of the electronics recycling program, the Government of Alberta has announced plans to develop recycling programs for solar panels, electric vehicle (EV) batteries, and wind turbine electronic components—making Alberta the first in Canada to take this step. These materials require further research and planning, and the provincial government is leading consultations with stakeholders. If you have any questions about renewables, please contact info@albertarecycling.ca.

If your site has a stockpile of solar panels, please email us at info@albertarecycling.ca to discuss handling options.

COLLECTION SITE TRAINING MODULES

Did you know that ARMA has learning modules available to support collection sites with helpful information on managing electronics, paint, tires, and used oil materials? Visit the ARMA website to learn more.



KEEP YOUR DEPOT DETAILS UP TO DATE

Registered collection sites are listed in our online Depot Finder so Albertans can find convenient locations to drop off their recyclables. Keeping your depot information current ensures Albertans can easily find the right drop-off locations. Please contact collection.sites@albertarecycling.ca if you have any updates.

RECYCLING RESOURCES FOR ALBERTANS

Our vision is Inspiring a Future Without Waste, which is why we want to help Albertans recycle all types of materials, whether they are included in our programs or not. We have a list of resources to help you recycle, reuse, and divert all types of materials from landfills. Visit the **Recycling Resources for Albertans** page on our website to learn more.



ARE YOU READY FOR THE 2025 COLLECTION SITE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE?

ARMA plans to kickstart the Collection Site Award of Excellence Nomination process this late May 2025. First Nations, Métis Settlements, waste authorities, and commissions can nominate their collection sites by applying to ARMA. This award is intended to recognize communities' exceptional dedication to offering options and meeting all registered collection site requirements.

Winners will be chosen from the list of applicants based on, but not limited to, the following criteria:

1. Innovation in recycling practices
2. Outstanding community engagement and leadership in customer service
3. Program materials are handled safely and correctly.
4. Program materials are stored securely to prevent theft, scavenging, and vandalism.
5. Sites clearly indicate designated areas for proper material storage.
6. The capacity of paint bins is maximized.
7. Groundwater contamination and spills from the collection are prevented.
8. Electronics and Paint Municipal Collection Funding Request reports are regularly submitted.
9. The site is kept neat and orderly.

Please review the ARMA Municipal Collection Site Requirements on our website for the full list of requirements. Stay tuned for the announcement!



2024 WINNERS

Our 2024 winners demonstrated excellence in encouraging their communities to recycle by maintaining safe, accessible sites and consistently submitting reports.

Congratulations to:

CITY OF
FORT SASKATCHEWAN
TRANSFER &
ECO STATION

TOWN OF PONOKA
WASTE TRANSFER
STATION

TOWN OF TABER
TRANSFER STATION



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