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Simcoe County's Battery Collection Week begins November 3

Midhurst/October 21, 2025 – The County of Simcoe is preparing for Battery Collection Week, starting Monday, November 3, 2025. This initiative plays a vital role in promoting the safe and environmentally responsible disposal of household batteries, and we encourage all residents to take part in protecting our environment.

If you have a designated battery bag, please use it. Due to delivery disruptions at Canada Post, battery bags were not mailed out this year. However, they are available for pickup at all County waste facilities and other select locations throughout the County. To view a full list of pickup locations, please [click here](#).

If you don't have a battery bag or need additional space, you may use a large, clear resealable bag instead. On your scheduled collection day during the week of November 3, place your bag of batteries **on top of your waste cart**, not inside it. This ensures the batteries are clearly visible and easily accessible for collection crews.

Acceptable items include dry cell, single-use batteries such as standard AA, AAA, C, D and 9-Volt and button batteries. Due to regulatory requirements, only undamaged, single-use and dry cell batteries are accepted for curbside collection.

Batteries that are not accepted include rechargeable battery packs (NiCad, NiMH, or Lithium Ion – typically used in laptop computers, cellular phones, etc.), car batteries, industrial batteries, and battery packs. These should be taken to a [Household Hazardous Waste Depot](#) for free, year-round.

Proper disposal of batteries prevents harmful chemicals from entering our environment and helps conserve valuable resources. By participating in Battery Collection Week, you are contributing to a cleaner, safer environment.

For more information about Battery Collection Week, residents can contact the County's Service Simcoe Contact Centre at 705-735-6901 or service@simcoe.ca.

About the County of Simcoe

The County of Simcoe is composed of 16 member municipalities and provides crucial public services to County residents in addition to providing paramedic and social services to the separated cities of Barrie and Orillia. Visit our website at simcoe.ca.

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