

# Interim TV Recycling Program

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ***Why are the televisions being recycled?***

Between 2010 and the end of 2013, analog TV broadcasts will be progressively switched off around Australia. On 5 May 2011, many parts of regional and rural Victoria switched from analog to digital transmission resulting in large numbers of households electing to purchase new television to watch free-to-air broadcasts. As a result, high volumes of old televisions are being disposed of.

A national recycling program is planned but the implementation date is yet to be decided. In the meantime, the Australian and Victorian governments have provided funding to implement a free, interim service to collect and recycle TVs.

### ***When and where are the collections being held in regional Victoria?***

The interim TV recycling program will operate for one month in selected regional and rural areas in Victoria. The program will commence on Thursday 30 June 2011 and continue until close of business on Sunday 31 July 2011. Check drop off locations and operating hours below.

### ***Can anyone use the television recycling service?***

This service is available to residents of Victoria and New South Wales.

### ***What types of televisions can be dropped off for recycling?***

All types of TVs (including digital) can be recycled. Analog video cassette recorders will not be accepted.

### ***What is the cost for this service?***

The service is free of charge to the public for the period of the service. After 31 July, normal council arrangements will resume until the national scheme is put in place.

### ***Can I dispose of my e-waste with my TV?***

No. Other electrical and electronic waste (e-waste) will not be accepted for recycling through this program. Only televisions will be accepted.

Check with your local council to see what collection programs are in place for e-waste disposal or refer to [Byteback](#) for computer recycling locations.

### ***What happens to my TV once I drop it off?***

Recyclers will collect the television and transport it to their recycling facilities. The TVs will then be broken down into different materials including glass, lead, plastics and valuable metals and processed into new materials.

### ***What happens after the Interim TV recycling program has finished?***

The Australian Government, in partnership with State Governments, is developing a national product stewardship regulation that will lead to long term and ongoing services for the community to recycle their old televisions and computer equipment. The date for this service is yet to be decided.

### ***Where can I get more information?***

- [National Waste Policy and the Product Stewardship Framework](#)
- [Sustainability Victoria](#) Information line on 1300 363 744
- [Product Stewardship Australia](#)

Council	Location	Address	Opening Hours
Wellington Shire	Sale (Kilmany)	Velore Road	Monday to Friday: 8am - 5pm Sat & Sun: 9am - 5pm
Wodonga	Wodonga	Kane Road	Monday to Friday: 9am - 5pm Sat, Sun & Public Hols: 10am - 4pm
Greater Shepparton	Shepparton	125 Wanganui Rd	Monday to Saturday - 8.00am - 4.30pm Sunday/Public holidays - 9.00am - 4.00pm
Swan Hill Rural Council	Swan Hill	Sea Lake – Swan Hill Road	Sunday to Friday: 9am - 4pm Sat: 9am - 2pm
Greater Bendigo	Bendigo (Eaglehawk)	Upper California Gully Road	Daily: 8am - 5pm
Ballarat	Ballarat	Gillies Street North	Monday to Friday: 8am - 4pm Sat, Sun & Public Hols: 10am - 4pm
Southern Grampians	Hamilton	Elijah St	Monday to Friday: 8am - 4.30pm Sat & Sun: 9.30am - 4.30pm
Horsham Rural City Council	Horsham	Kenny Road	Daily: 10am - 5pm
Hindmarsh Council	Nhill	Nhill Netherby Road	Sat: 9.30am - 12.30pm Sun: 1pm - 4pm
Mildura	Mildura	Ontario Avenue	Mon to Fri: 7am - 4.45pm Sat & Sun: 8am - 2.45pm
Colac-Otway	Colac	11 Marriner Street	Monday to Friday: 8am - 4.30pm Sat: 8am - 12 noon Sun: 10am - 2pm