

Don't let Devon go to waste

at school



WEEE

What do you need to
know?



What is WEEE?

- ❁ **WEEE stands for Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment.**
- ❁ **An item is classed as being WEEE if it needs electricity to do what it intended to do. N.B. The electricity can come from a battery source.**
- ❁ **You can get several types of domestic and commercial WEEE, including large WEEE and small WEEE.**
- ❁ **The WEEE Directive was introduced in 2006 to make manufacturers and retailers responsible for collecting and recycling WEEE.**





WEEE collection



What is Large WEEE?

- ❁ Large WEEE is large domestic (household) appliances such as ovens and washing machines



What is Small WEEE?

- Small WEEE is small domestic (household) electronic equipment, such as toasters, clocks, irons and battery operated children's toys.



What about mobile phones and I.T. equipment?

- ❁ IT and telecommunications make up a significant amount of the small WEEE category.
- ❁ This includes mobile phones, laptops, tablets and gaming devices.



What is WEEE made from?

- ✿ All WEEE goods contain valuable resources, including metals, precious metals, plastic (made from oil) and glass. All of these resources have come from our planet.



Why should we recycle WEEE?

- ✿ These items should be recycled so we don't need to use as many raw resources or energy to create more materials.



What is our impact?

- ❁ On average, each person will dispose of 3.3 tonnes of WEEE waste in their lifetime.
- ❁ The WEEE Man was created to demonstrate what this amount of waste could look like.



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