

Recycle apes



Recycling Guide for Vapers

Where can I take my vape waste? Should I remove the battery before I dispose of my device? Are vapes recyclable?...

Understanding how to correctly dispose of your vapes can be tricky and you may well find yourself asking questions like these as you try to figure out what to do with your waste products.

New research from Material Focus revealed that nearly three million disposables are hoarded in UK cupboards every month and that 73% of the nation's vapers say they just throw single-use vapes away.

To help you better understand how to safely dispose of your vapes, and ensure these products are finding their way into the correct waste stream, check out our vape recycling guide:

First things first – Contrary to popular belief, disposable vapes are actually highly recyclable and recoverable. Despite this, new evidence shows as many as 70% of people threw their single-use vapes away because they didn't know they could recycle them.

Leave it to the pros – While vape products are ever-evolving and may eventually be safe for consumers to dismantle themselves, this just isn't the case right now. As such, DON'T try to take apart your own device before recycling as this will be done by professionals at the waste facility.

Packet-in – Don't forget that it's not just your vape device that's recyclable, but any paper inserts and cardboard packaging as well. Make sure you dispose of these in the correct bin instead of just throwing them away with general household waste.

Check it out – Always check to see if your local retailer offers a vape waste take-back scheme as they are required to do so by law. If you can't find any in-store collection bins, don't be afraid to ask an employee for help.

Location, location, location – If you're not sure where you should take your vape waste, use the 'Recycle Your Electricals' online locator tool – which is overseen by Material Focus – to find an appropriate recycling point near you.

