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Printer Ink Guide

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Turn Your Used Printer Ink Cartridges Into Cash & Help the Environment!

WHY RECYCLE PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES?

Environmental Benefits:

• Keeps cartridges out of landfills and incinerators, reducing pollution.

HP Planet Partners

- HP accepts only HP ink and toner cartridges for recycling.
- The program offers free recycling via prepaid shipping labels or drop-off locations (Walmart Oxford).
- https://www.hp.com/us-en/hp-information/recycling/ink-toner.html

Canon Cartridge Recycling Program

- · Canon accepts Canon ink and toner cartridges only.
- · Free shipping labels and drop-off options are provided for recycling.
- https://www.usa.canon.com/about-us/kyosei-our-corporate-philosophy/envir onment-and-sustainability/recycling-programs/ink-cartridge-recycling-progra m?srsltid=AfmBOoqtKGyPw2Snu5jDUZprnwquzNBwcegC8BGGq1UDMwX5 obQBz1z7

Epson Recycling Program

- · Epson accepts Epson ink cartridges and toner cartridges.
- Provides free prepaid shipping labels for returns.
- https://epson.com/recycle-program

Xerox Green World Alliance

- · Accepts Xerox cartridges and toner.
- Provides free return shipping and Eco Box kits for multiple cartridges.
- Supports large volume returns with pallet pickup.
- https://www.xerox.com/en-us/about/recycling

Brother

- Brother accepts only Brother Genuine ink cartridges, toner cartridges, and drum units for recycling.
- Supports large volume returns with pallet pickup.
- Offers free recycling through prepaid shipping labels or recycling kits mailed directly to participants.
- https://www.brother-usa.com/supplies/toner-ink-recycling?srsltid=AfmBOop-W5V7h1Y31CqEjKCff3ptCbtMkvhaP2aXwuiSuaSe8zIDcPAA

Konica Minolta Clean Planet Program

- Accepts genuine OEM toner cartridges from Konica Minolta and HP brands (empty or unused).
- Provides free prepaid shipping boxes and UPS labels for recycling (minimum 10 cartridges per box).
- Supports pallet pickups for large volumes (minimum 100 cartridges).
- https://www.cleanplanetprogram.com/about
- Used on campus now

Economic Benefits:

 Earn money or store credit for your used cartridges, offsetting office supply costs.

Inkrecycling.org

- This national initiative accepts all used HP and Canon brands, offering up to \$3 for every empty ink cartridge you send in.
- The payment varies based on the type and condition of the cartridges.
- Free shipping kits are available for those returning in bulk. https://www.inkrecycling.org/?mystep=2&brand=hp

TonerBuyer

- This program accepts **original equipment** manufacturer (OEM) ink and toner cartridges from any brand (no remanufactured or refilled cartridges).
- \$6 to \$0.25 for every empty ink cartridge you send in depending on brand.
- https://tonerbuyer.com/empty-used-pricing-list/
- They supply prepaid UPS shipping labels for mail-in recycling and resale.
- A minimum quantity is required for free shipping (8 laser or 25 ink jet cartridges per box).
- If original boxes are not available, cartridges should be individually wrapped to avoid damage.
- Payments are processed within 5 business days after inspection.
 https://tonerbuyer.com/packing-and-shipping-instructions/

Why recycle your toner?

- Generate money from your building's waste.
- Conserves natural resources such as oil, timber, water, and metals used in cartridge production.
- Reduces waste, emissions, and energy consumption associated with manufacturing new cartridges.
- Helps prevent toxic chemicals and heavy metals from contaminating soil and water.

