



Manitoba Battery Recycling Fact Sheet



- Under its government-approved battery stewardship plan in Manitoba, Call2Recycle Canada, Inc. operates its Call2Recycle[®] consumer battery collection and recycling program throughout the province.
- Call2Recycle has been recycling batteries collected in Manitoba since 1997. Initially accepting only rechargeable batteries, the program expanded in 2011 to include all batteries in response to new regulations.
- In 2011, Call2Recycle was selected by the Manitoba government to execute the expanded battery collection program under the Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation. The expanded program enabled Manitoba residents, businesses and municipalities to recycle all batteries – such as alkaline AA, AAA, 9-volt - in addition to household rechargeable batteries.
- The program is funded by Environmental Handling Fees (EHFs), which are applied to the sale of new household batteries and batteries sold with or in select products.
- The EHFs are used to administer the program and ensure batteries can continue to be responsibly recycled at the end of their useful life and kept out of landfills.
- Since program launch in 1997, over 520,000 kg of batteries have been collected and recycled in Manitoba.
- In 2017, 92,000 kg of batteries were collected and recycled in Manitoba.
- Batteries are collected and sorted and then recycled. The valuable metals and materials from the old recycled batteries are used in the manufacturing of new products, including batteries. Nothing ends up in landfills.
- 87% of Manitoba residents live within a 15 km radius of an available drop-off site.
- Call2Recycle has established nearly 250 active, public collection sites, including retailers such as Canadian Tire, The Source, RONA, The Home Depot, Staples, as well as many municipalities.

