

Eco-Cycle CHaRM (Center for Hard-to-Recycle Materials)

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Small Plastic Appliance Recycling Guidelines & Pricing

**** Please note that all small appliances that are mostly plastic are subject to a flat \$3 CHaRM facility fee in addition to the fees outlined below.** Items that are more than 50% metal are considered scrap metal items, not hard-to-recycle items, and are accepted for recycling free of charge (without a \$3 facility fee). See scrap metal guidelines at the bottom of the page. **

This is not an comprehensive list! We can recycle any plastic and/or metal appliances that have plugs or batteries. No glass or vacuum bags, please. Have a question? Call us at 303-444-6634.

Handheld Gadgets: \$1 – for electric widgets designed to be held in one hand

- Walkie-talkie
- Electric toothbrush
- Blow dryer
- Hand-held electric mixer
- Electric knife
- DustBuster[®] vacuum
- Electric razors
- Clothing steamer

Small Appliances: \$2 – for up to the size of a standard slow cooker

- Standard coffee maker *(no glass coffee pots, please)*
- Coffee grinder
- Upright blender *(no glass, please)*
- Space heaters that are mostly plastic *(mostly metal space heaters can be recycled as scrap metal at no charge)*
- Food processors
- Clock radio
- Small fan

(Small Appliances: \$2, continued)

- Can openers
- Coffee grinders
- Cotton candy makers
- Electric knife sharpener
- Food processors / Food chopper
- Food slicer
- Gelato maker
- Ice crushers
- Ice cream makers
- Ice cream whippers
- Juice extractors
- Juicer
- Smoothie maker
- Stand mixers
- Meat grinders
- Pasta makers
- Potato peeler
- Salt and pepper mill
- Spice grinder
- Wine bottle openers
- Bread makers
- Chocolate fountains
- Countertop rotisserie ovens
- Deep fryers
- Food bag sealers
- Food dehydrator
- Air popper (for pop corn)
- Panini press
- Portable stoves
- Sandwich makers
- Waffle irons
- Pressure cookers
- Rice cookers
- Hot plates
- Electric kettles
- Espresso/Cappuccino makers
- Clocks
- Timers

(Small Appliances: \$2, continued)

- Air purifiers
- Humidifiers
- Dehumidifiers
- Portable air conditioners
- Foot baths
- Electric dusters
- Aromatherapy machines/vaporizers

Medium Appliances: \$5 – for up to the size of a standard upright or canister vacuum (no vacuum bags, please)

- Big plastic room fan
- Plastic portable swamp cooler

Large Appliances: \$10 – for a shop vac or carpet steamer – any other item that weighs more than 13 pounds that could be called a small appliance.

Extra-Large Appliances: \$0.37/lb – All other small plastic appliances with plugs/batteries that are more than 20 pounds.

Small Metal Appliances already accepted at the CHaRM:

Items that are 50% metal or more: NO CHARGE. Includes microwaves, pots and pans, toasters, etc. These items will be recycled with our existing scrap metal program. **These items do not have a flat \$3 CHaRM facility fee** – scrap metal is not considered a “hard-to-recycle” item.

Large Appliances already accepted at the CHaRM:

Large appliances without Freon[®] like dishwashers, ovens, washers, dryers and other items that are more than 50% metal. These scrap metal items are recyclable at the CHaRM at NO CHARGE.

Large appliances WITH Freon[®] like air conditioners, refrigerators and freezers: \$15 to cover the costs of safely removing the Freon[®] before recycling, according to state law.