

# Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment

Each year in the UK we throw away over 1.2 million tonnes of electrical and electronic waste (WEEE), . . . over 75% of this waste finishes up in landfill, where lead and other toxins can cause soil and water contamination. This can have a harmful effect on natural habitat, wildlife and also human health.

Many of the electrical items that we throw away can be recycled and re-used. . . recycling helps to save natural finite resources and also reduces the environmental and health risks.

EU and UK regulations require us to collect as much WEEE as possible for treatment, recovery/re-use and environmentally sound disposal. You can play an important part by ensuring that your old equipment is given to a take-back or recycling scheme. . . not thrown out with the garbage! When you buy any product from Carphone Warehouse, you can return a similar product to us for recycling.

All electrical or electronic equipment made after August 2005 should display the crossed-out wheelie-bin symbol to remind you not to throw it the bin.

