

LIVING GUIDE MORIOKA

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Attention! Garbage-sorting rules have been changed.
Let's see what the changes are.

Change 1. More appliances are subject to the Home Appliance Recycling Law.

Three appliances have been added in April 2009 to the items subject to the Home Appliance Recycling Law, which had been air conditioner, tube television, refrigerator and washing machine.

■ Newly added appliances are:

- * Liquid crystal display (LCD) TV
- * Plasma TV
- * Clothes dryer



Note: What is the home appliance recycling system?

Air conditioners, (tube, LCD and plasma) TVs, refrigerators/freezers and dryers contain a number of materials that can be recycled. The Home Appliance Recycling Law aims to collect these materials, instead of disposing of the appliances as garbage, and make efficient use of resources.

We need to pay for recycling our appliances. Different manufacturers charge different fees. Out-of-use appliances are collected by one of the three ways below.

1. Ask the retail store where you bought the appliance or you are going to buy a new one to collect your old appliance. You might have to pay for the collection, too.
2. Ask one of the collection traders (listed at the website of Morioka City) to collect your appliance.

(<http://www.city.morioka.iwate.jp/05kankyo/seigyo/info/shushugyosha.html>)

You need to pay for the collection in addition to the recycling fee. Different traders charge different fees.

3. Pay recycling fee at a post office and bring in the appliance by yourself to either of the two designated places below.
 - * Morioka office of Alps Logistics Co.
(Morioka Eigyocho of Alps Butsuryu) (Phone:682-1074)
 - * Morioka Office of Nippon Express (Morioka Shiten of Nihon Tsu-un)
(Phone: 637-6411)

For more information, visit the website of Kaden Recycle Ken Center

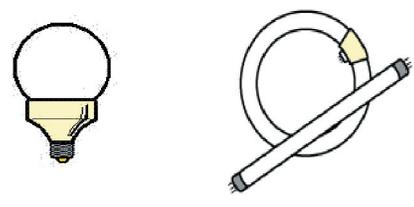
(<http://www.rkc.aeha.or.jp/>)

Change 2: Fluorescent lamp tubes are recycled now. (Morioka area residents)

Take end-of-use fluorescent tubes to a collection box which is located at supermarkets and other places. Fluorescent tubes had been disposed of as unburnable garbage in Morioka (except in the Tonan and Tamayama areas). They are now collected and utilized since more than 90 percent part of a fluorescent tube is recyclable.

If you live in the Tonan or Tamayama area, bring the tubes to the collection spot on designated days as you have been doing,

- Which tubes?
 - * Straight fluorescent lamp tubes
 - * Ring fluorescent lamp tubes
 - * Compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) tubes



- Put out incandescent bulbs and halogen lamps to the collection spot on the unburnable garbage days.
- Wrap up broken fluorescent tubes with newspaper and put them out on the unburnable garbage days.

■ Where?

Put tubes in a collection box located at the stores listed below. Collection boxes are also placed at the City Hall and some of Katsudo centers.

Stores with a collection box are		Stores with a collection box are	
Iwate Co-op	all outlets in Morioka	Homac	Kamido, Kuroishino, Super Depo Seinan
Kashimura	all outlets in Morioka		
Big House	all outlets in Morioka	Max Value	Morioka Ekimae Kitadori
Fal	Ueda	Maruichi	all outlets in Morioka
Belle Plus One	Odori	Yamazaki Shop	Hakoshimizu
Annex Kawatoku		Universe	Sun Town Matsuzono

- When putting the tubes into the collection box:
 - * Be careful not to break the tubes.
 - * Remove the package of the tubes. Put the tubes alone.
 - * Do not put things other than fluorescent tubes.
 - * Put straight, ring and compact tubes in each designated section of the box.

For more information, visit the website of Morioka City.

(<http://www.city.morioka.iwate.jp/05kankyo/seigyokeikoukan/keikoukan.html>)



For more information on how to sort and put out your garbage, contact:

- * Morioka area: Recycling Promotion Division (Shigen Junkan Suishin-ka) of Morioka City Hall (Phone: 019-622-2911 Japanese only)
 - * Tonan area: Morioka Shiwa-chiku Kankyo Shisetsu Kumiai (Phone: 019-697-3835 Japanese only)
 - * Tamayama area: Tax and Citizen Service Division of the Tamayama Branch Office (Zeimu Jyumin-ka of Tamayama Sogo Jimusho) (Phone: 019-683-3805 Japanese only)
- Website: <http://www.city.morioka.iwate.jp/m-life/index.html#lifehome>