

Bicycle Parts Recycling

This playbook provides a detailed guide on how to correctly recycle or upcycle old bicycle parts. It emphasizes sustainability practices by outlining steps to properly dispose of bicycle components.

Step 1: **Assessment**

Examine the old bicycle parts to assess their condition. Determine which parts are suitable for recycling, which can be upcycled for other uses, and which must be disposed of.

Step 2: **Disassembly**

Carefully disassemble the bicycle, separating the parts based on the assessment. Use appropriate tools and take note of any sharps or hazardous materials.

Step 3: **Cleaning**

Clean all parts thoroughly to remove any dirt, grease, or debris. Clean parts are more easily accepted by recycling centers and safer to work with if upcycling.

Step 4: **Sorting**

Sort the parts into categories: metals, plastics, rubbers, and textiles. Different materials will have different recycling processes or potential upcycling projects.

Step 5: **Recycling**

Take recyclable parts to the appropriate recycling facility. Ensure to follow local regulations and guidelines for recycling these materials.

Step 6: **Upcycling**

For parts identified as suitable for upcycling, determine a new use or project. This could involve repurposing parts for art, furniture, or new bike projects.

Step 7: **Disposal**

Properly dispose of any parts that cannot be recycled or upcycled. Adhere to community guidelines for the disposal of such waste.

General Notes

Safety

Always prioritize safety when handling bicycle parts, especially when using tools or dealing with sharp edges.

Eco-friendly cleaners

Consider using eco-friendly cleaning solutions to maintain sustainability throughout the process.