

# Vehicle Waste Recycling

This playbook outlines the environmentally responsible steps for disposing of automotive fluids and parts, such as oils, filters, and batteries. The procedure aims to minimize environmental impact and comply with regulatory standards.

## Step 1: **Collection**

Gather all used automotive fluids such as engine oil, transmission fluid, brake fluid, and coolant, as well as parts like filters and batteries from the vehicle.

## Step 2: **Storage**

Store collected fluids in separate, labeled, leak-proof containers. Ensure that batteries are kept upright and in a cool, dry area to prevent spillage or contamination.

## Step 3: **Containment**

Place used filters in sealed bags or containers to prevent oil leakage. Store batteries in a secondary containment system to avoid acid leaks.

## Step 4: **Local Regulations**

Check with local waste management facilities for specific disposal guidelines and where to drop off automotive waste materials as these regulations vary by location.

## **Step 5: Transportation**

Safely transport the stored fluids, filters, and batteries to the designated disposal or recycling facility. Ensure that the waste is securely contained during transit to prevent any spills.

## **Step 6: Recycling Center**

Deliver the waste to a certified automotive fluid and part recycling center. Obtain receipts or documentation of the proper disposal for record-keeping and accountability.

# **General Notes**

## **Safety First**

Always wear gloves and protective eyewear when handling automotive fluids and parts, and work in a well-ventilated area to avoid inhaling fumes.

## **Avoid Contamination**

Do not mix different fluids together as this can contaminate the recycling process and make materials non-recyclable.

## **Battery Precautions**

Handle car batteries carefully to prevent acid leaks and avoid short circuits. Do not smoke or bring any flames near the batteries.

## **Spill Responsiveness**

In case of a spill, use an appropriate spill kit to clean it up immediately and prevent environmental contamination.

## **Environmental Compliance**

Ensure that your method of disposal is in line with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines to avoid legal penalties and environmental harm.

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