

U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii – Environmental Compliance Guide

CELL PHONES

GENERAL INFORMATION

Don't Trash Your Cell Phone -- Recycle It! Help us keep toxic metals out of the waste stream and the environment by recycling your old cell phones.

WASTE CHARACTERIZATION

Cell phones are considered an electronic waste and contain toxic metals that can pollute the environment and threaten human health. When recycled responsibly, the metals can be put back into circulation, decreasing the need for new metal mining.

HANDLING AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

- Government cell phones must go back to the person or Supply Support Activity (SSA) who issued it.
- The Army Recycle Center does not accept electronic waste, including cell phones for recycle. They can be recycled through several local electronic waste recyclers. Contact the DPW-Environmental Solid Waste Program at 808-787-0867 for more information.
- Qualified recyclers are able to either refurbish and reuse the phones or dismantle and recycle them appropriately.
- There are no security or privacy concerns as long as your phone has been deactivated, reset to factory settings or the SIM card has been removed. When the phones are refurbished, they are completely cleared and reprogrammed.



For more info contact: DPW Environmental Solid Waste Program at 808-787-0867

Recycling/disposal protocols for *on-post residents*: <https://www.islandpalmcommunities.com/resident-resources/>

Recycling/disposal protocols for *off-post residents*: [How to Dispose of Trash | Department of Environmental Services](#)