



Town of Auburn, Massachusetts
 Department of Development and Inspectional Services
 Board of Health

Did you know?!



Mercury is a *toxic* chemical that may be found in your home

Even small amounts of mercury can cause significant health problems for people and wildlife so it is important that we dispose of mercury containing products correctly to avoid polluting the environment. Some of the most common household items that contain mercury are listed below. Thankfully, there is a way to recycle these items here in Auburn!

Do not throw mercury containing items in your trash such as:



Button batteries: Found in watches, calculators, hearing aids, toys, etc.

Batteries made before 1990



Thermometers:

Fever, candy, deep fry, oven, indoor, outdoor



Fluorescent Light Bulbs:

Compact fluorescent bulbs (twisty)

Tube or straight bulbs

Ultraviolet

Round

U-shaped

Mercury containing lights will be marked with the element symbol Hg.



Thermostats:

These contain more than 5x the amount of mercury found in a fever thermometer!



Although all fluorescent bulbs contain mercury, using them is still encouraged because they are highly energy efficient!

Mercury Recovery Program

at Auburn Town Hall

Board of Health

104 Central St

M: 8am - 7pm

T - Th: 8am - 4pm

F: 8am - 1pm

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