

Unacceptable Items

With the concern for the environment and the safety of our customers in mind, Metro Recycling will not accept the following items:

- City, County or State owned material
 - Empty or full whole compressed gas cylinders (e.g. oxygen, acetylene, propane and Freon tanks.)
 - Computer monitors or televisions
 - Fluorescent light fixtures that have PCB containing ballasts. A ballast specifying that it does not contain PCB's is acceptable.
 - Tires
 - Sealed drums
 - Rail Road scrap
 - Utility Owned Scrap
 - Beer Kegs
 - Items Containing Radiation, Asbestos or Lead Paint
 - Nickel-Cadmium or Radioactive materials
 - Capacitors, transformers with PCB's
 - Bulk phone books (we need an authorized letterhead to accept)
 - Firearms
- **Items containing Freon**
If your item contains Freon, we have certified technicians that can remove the hazardous waste properly.



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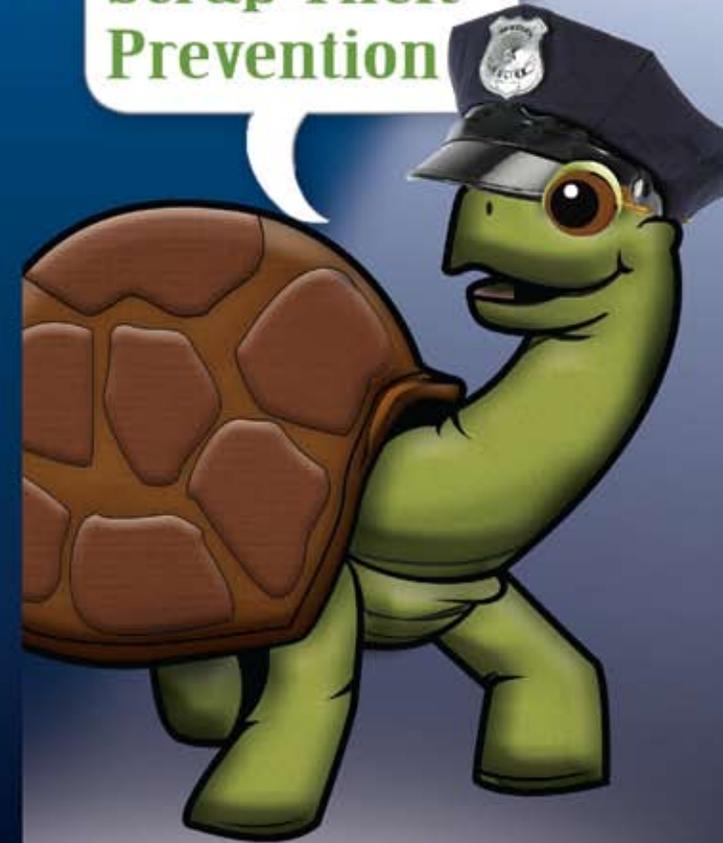
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Spotlight on
Scrap Theft
Prevention



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It is important for recycling companies, like Metro, to develop a working relationship with local law enforcement. Law enforcement can help Metro Recycling prevent the scrap theft issue by alerting us of stolen material. It is also important that law enforcement respond quickly when we believe stolen material has been brought to our yard. Taking these measures will help us begin to put a stop to the issue of scrap theft.

Metro Recycling takes scrap theft seriously. Therefore, we take many preventative measures to ensure that we do not buy stolen material.



Scrap Theft

Scrap theft is a growing issue in the Recycling industry today. As commodity prices rise, so does the amount of scrap theft. The scrap recycling industry is working hard to be a part of the solution to this growing problem. Becoming part of the solution means putting preventative measures into place. It is important to Metro Recycling to use tools such as ISRI's Scrap Theft Alert System, video cameras and other tools to prevent buying stolen material.

Prevention

To help minimize the risk of purchasing stolen material Metro Recycling takes the following precautions:

- Every transaction is recorded in our computer system.
- Numerous cameras monitor the Metro yard and record when a transaction was made.
- Select material worth over \$100 is required to have a valid United States government issued photo identification as well as the customers signature. Vehicle description and license plate number is also recorded.
- Certain materials require a letterhead authorized release letter signed by the business owner.
- Each yard manager receives a theft alert that is sent from ISRI's Theft Alert System that describes the stolen material.

Scrap Theft Alert

WHO: The Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, INC or ISRI, has put a system into place called the Scrap Theft Alert System.

WHAT: Scrap Theft Alert system is a tool for law enforcement that allows them to alert businesses in the scrap industry about stolen scrap material.

HOW: After law enforcement has verified that material was stolen, they can send an email alert to all recycling centers that subscribe to Scrap Theft Alert. The email will be sent to centers within a 100 mile radius of where the incident occurred.

WHY: Scrap Theft Alert helps to put a stop to the issue of scrap theft. In order for a system like this to be successful, it is important that law enforcement and recycling centers work together.