

Fact Sheet

Computers and Electronic Equipment Disposal

The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) regulates computer parts and other electronic equipment as hazardous waste when disposed. This is because these items often contain regulated, toxic metals within their internal circuit boards or other parts (e.g., lead in monitors). These items have been banned from landfills. In addition, the Board of Regents policies require all UNO property, including unwanted and/or broken computer parts and electronic equipment, to be properly disposed. This is done by managing the items as surplus property.

Computer parts and other electronic equipment that are not taken by other departments, or sold at auction, are handled through established recycling/ refurbishing programs.

To ensure compliance with NDEQ and Board of Regents policies, follow these simple rules:

Do not dispose of computer parts, electronic equipment, or circuit boards in the garbage.

Surplus all unwanted computer parts, electronic equipment, and circuit boards through UNO Surplus Property (4-2222).