Santa Cruz County Fluorescent Light Drop-Off Locations

The Take-it-Back partnership in Santa Cruz now provides County residents with a no-cost opportunity to properly recycle fluorescent lamps, including tubes and compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs). NEVER throw your used fluorescent bulbs in the trash or recycling! Take them to one of the stores below at no cost. Limit: 10 bulbs per day. Compact fluorescents and tubes up to 4' length accepted.

Fluorescent bulbs and tubes are also accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility located at the disposal site serving your community. Call 831.454.2606 for HHW locations and hours of operation.

If a Fluorescent Bulb/Tube Breaks

- Ventilate the area for 5-10 minutes and leave the area.
- Wear disposable gloves during clean up.
- Do Not Vacuum! Scoop up glass fragments and powder using stiff paper or cardboard pieces.
- Use sticky tape, such as duct tape, to pick up any remaining small glass fragments and powder.
- Place the used tape in a glass jar or plastic bag.
- Place all clean up materials, bulb debris and clean up materials in a sealed container and place outdoors into a trash container.
- Thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water after disposal.
- If you have further questions, call your local poison control center at 1.800.222.1222.

ATTENTION BUSINESSES: This program is for residential waste only. If you are a business or contractor, please call 831.454.2606 to find out if you qualify for the Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) Program.