

DONATING CLOTHING AND TEXTILES IN BOSTON

In November 2022, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection banned textiles from disposal. Textiles include clothing, footwear, bedding, curtains, fabric, and similar items that are clean and dry.

In compliance with this policy, the City of Boston does not accept clothing and textiles in curbside trash.

Recycle your textiles at one of our drop-off locations, a hazardous waste day event, or right from your home. Learn more about our services and schedule your curbside textile pickup at boston.gov/textile.

Nearly 100% of donated clothing and textiles are recyclable. Help close the loop and donate your clothing and textiles!



45% of donations are sold as second hand apparel. Second hand clothing provides affordable clothing to those in need and encourages global entrepreneurship.



20% of donations are sent to fiber converters. Recycled fiber products saves money and resources by using existing materials.



30% is turned into industrial wiping cloths. Recycled wiping cloths use less water, less energy, and creates a lower carbon footprint than all other alternatives.