## **NYS Rechargeable Battery Recycling Law**

Beginning June 8, 2011 retailers that sell covered rechargeable batteries will be required to accept used rechargeable batteries from consumers **at no cost to the consumer** during normal business hours.

Batteries covered by the law include:

- Nickel-cadmium
- Sealed lead
- Lithium ion
- Nickel metal hydride





- Any other such dry cell battery capable of being charged
- Battery packs containing any of the above mentioned batteries

Beginning December 5, 2011 a disposal ban goes in to effect which prohibits the disposal of rechargeable batteries in the trash. Persons knowingly disposing of rechargeable batteries are subject to fines of \$50-1<sup>st</sup> offense, \$100-2<sup>nd</sup> offense, \$200third or subsequent offense.

A retailer must accept up to 10 batteries per day from any person regardless of whether they purchase replacement batteries *or* a retailer must accept as many batteries as a consumer purchases from the retailer.

Additionally, rechargeable batteries are accepted for recycling at: Hamilton County Transfer Stations NYS Route 8, Lake Pleasant, NY 12108 Chain Lakes Road, Indian Lake, NY 12842 Limekiln Lake Road, Inlet, NY 13360 Town transfer stations in Hope and Long Lake

