Refrigerants Must Be Disposed of Properly. Don't Just Cut the Line!

**Facts**

- The amount of refrigerant in a standard dehumidifier (8oz) has the same carbon footprint as 1.5 TONS of CO2
- The amount of refrigerants in 5 window AC units (5 lbs) has the same carbon footprint as driving a car for 1 year
- Proper disposal & recycling of refrigerants within the next 10 years could reduce warming by 1°F this century
- A 1.8°F increase in the avg. annual temperature will cause the Cold Spring and Garrison waterfront parks to flood daily

**Actions**

**Actions Available to Residents**

**Buying New?**
- Home Depot & Lowe’s will pick up and properly dispose of an old freezer or refrigerator for a $20 charge if you purchase a new one from them.
- Choose a refrigerator/freezer that uses R600A refrigerant - it doesn’t contribute to climate change!

**Have a Working Fridge or Freezer?**
- Central Hudson will pick up and recycle a working refrigerator, freezer (AC units included), and provide a $50 rebate.
  For Details See: [www.savingscentral.com/fridge-freezer/](http://www.savingscentral.com/fridge-freezer/)

**Getting Rid of a Broken Appliance?**
- Please drop off your refrigerant appliance for free at the Philipstown Recycling Center on Lane Gate Road on Saturdays from 9am - 3pm.
- If you cannot drop off your old appliance yourself, please call the Town Clerk at 845.265.3329 ext.3 to reserve a free Saturday curb-side pick-up.

**What Happens to Properly Discarded Appliances?**
- A Type 1 or Universal certified HVAC technician should collect the refrigerant in a DOT certified cylinder and take it to an approved recovery and disposal facility.

For more information on solutions and the Town’s Climate Smart program please visit [www.climatesmartphilipstown.org](http://www.climatesmartphilipstown.org)
Refrigerant Leak Prevention Is Critical!

FACT

A typical air conditioner holds 15.5 ounces of R410A, a common refrigerant. That much R410A has the same carbon footprint as 107 gallons of gasoline, enough to drive a 2020 Ford F-150 2,920 miles, the approximate distance from Philipstown to San Francisco, with gas to spare!

Climate Smart Philipstown

Philipstown's "Climate Smart Task Force" works on local solutions to the urgent climate crisis by helping our community decrease our greenhouse gas emissions, develop a sustainable local economy and ensure the protection of our wildlife and natural resources.

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