Junk Vehicle Disposal Assistance Program
Frequently Asked Questions

The Junk Vehicle Disposal Assistance Program (JVDAP) allows Maui County residents to dispose of two vehicles per calendar year at no charge. Refer to the website www.mauicounty.gov/avm to review eligibility criteria and instructions, and to download the proper forms. Vehicles must meet eligibility criteria, and owners will be required to present proper documents to participate in the program. Participants will be asked to complete a short survey to help track the success of the program. This program is funded through a portion of annual vehicle registration fees.

Q: Where do I register my car as “Permanently Junked?”
A: For the purposes of this program, owners with a clear title can submit documents for junking at the metals recycling facility. For titles with more than one owner, a lienholder or irregularities, contact your local DMVL before you deliver your vehicle to the metals recycling facility for junking/disposal.

Q: I don’t have the title anymore, but it was registered in my name. What should I do to participate?
A: You can request a duplicate certificate of title from a DMVL office.

Q: My title has more than one registered owner. Can I still participate?
A: YES. All named registered owners must bring the vehicle in together, or have signatures notarized by a notary public. Contact the AVM Office for further information. The form can found on our webpage at: www.mauicounty.gov/avm or contact our office to request form be mailed or emailed to you.

Q: My title has a lienholder. Can I still participate?
A: Only the lienholder can dispose of the vehicle. If you need to remove a lienholder from your vehicle’s title, contact a DMVL office. Contact the AVM Office for further information.

Q: Where is the metals recycling facility?
A: Hammerhead Metals Recycling is located in the Central Maui Baseyard at 2000 Mokulele Hwy., Puunene. Refer to their website: www.hammerheadrecycling.com or call (808) 280-8844.

Q: My car is a commercial vehicle used for our business. Is it eligible?
A: NO. This program is for Maui County non-commercial vehicles only.

Q: I only live here for part of the year, but my car is registered on Maui. Is it eligible?
A: YES. If your car is not used for business and is registered in Maui County.

Q: My car doesn’t run and has missing parts. Can I still participate in the program?
A: YES. You will be responsible for having it towed to the metals recycling facility. You must be present to submit all proper documentation.
Q: I have the signed title, but it is not officially registered to me yet. Can I participate in this program?
A: NO. The vehicle must be registered in your name. Once you register the vehicle into your name, you can participate in the program. You may be eligible to have any registration fees, penalties, etc. waived during the transfer of title if at the same time you permanently junk the title. Contact a DMVL office for specific information.

Q: My registration is expired, can I still participate in the program? Will I have to pay back taxes?
A: YES, you can still participate in the program. According to the DMVL, when junking a vehicle, you will not be held responsible for past registration fees and/or penalties. Vehicle’s registration can be current or expired.

Q: Will the County provide towing services?
A: NO, owners are responsible for delivering their vehicles to the metals recycling facility themselves.

Q: Do I have to clean out my car before I take it to the metals recycling facility.
A: YES. Vehicles with “excessive waste” may be refused by the facility, at their discretion.

Q: How many tires are included in this program?
A: Up to 5 tires mounted on or within the vehicle will be accepted. More than that will be refused or you will be charged for them.

Q: Will I be charged anything at the metals recycling facility?
A: NO. As long as you meet all the eligibility criteria and you have all the proper documentation, this program is sponsored by the County of Maui. You may be charged and/or refused if all eligibility requirements are not met. Please refer to the instructions.

Q: What if my vehicle is refused at the facility? Can I just leave it behind?
A: NO. Vehicules abandoned at the facility or on any public roadway will be tagged and ticketed as an abandoned vehicle. Owners will be held responsible for any citations, as well as the towing, storage, disposal charges and fines.

Q: What if I get to the facility and I don’t meet the criteria?
A: The facility may charge you to dispose of the vehicle or refuse it. If the vehicle is refused, you are responsible to remove it from the facility and put it back on private property.

Q: Why do I have to be present when the vehicle is delivered to the recycling facility? Can’t I just give the paperwork to the tow driver?
A: To ensure the vehicle is eligible and all documentation is in order. If for some reason the facility must charge you or if the vehicle is refused, you must be present to either make payment or remove the vehicle. The tow company cannot be held responsible for your paperwork.

Q: Are electric vehicles eligible for this program?
A: Yes, starting July 1st, 2022. Electric or hybrid-electric vehicles are eligible. The metals recycling facility will accept and dispose of electric and hybrid-electric cars with the installed electric batteries for no additional battery disposal fee.

Q: I live on Molokai. What am I supposed to do with my old car?
A: You can deliver your vehicle to the Molokai Metals Facility at the Molokai Landfill at no charge. Call Refrigerant Recycling, Inc. for requirements and instructions at (888) 682-1155.

Q: I live on Lanai. What am I supposed to do with my old car?
A: The County holds periodic collection events for a limited number of cars. Please contact the Office of Abandoned Vehicles and Metals for more information.