

Tips for Maximizing the Value of Empty Ink and Toner Cartridges

High quality inkjet and toner cartridges can be remanufactured from empty cores that are in excellent condition and were originally manufactured by the OEM. In other words, they can not be cartridges that were originally manufactured to be compatible with OEM printer cartridges.

Empty ink cartridges in excellent condition have no:

- Broken or missing print heads
- Dents or dings to the contact tape
- Corrosion, rust, mold or water damage
- Cracks in their casing
- Missing caps
- Holes in the OEM label

Empty toner cartridges in excellent condition have no:

- Missing shutters or other pieces
- Broken shutter arms
- Missing springs (certain models)
- Cracks in their casing
- Missing or damaged guide rollers/ damaged or worn rubber rollers
- Damaged gears
- Broken handles
- Damaged or worn rubber rollers
- Corrosion, rust, mold or water damage
- Drill holes from self-filling kits

Cartridges may be in excellent condition when they are returned by the customer, but get damaged during shipping. Remember to pack ink and toner cartridges separately. When packing empty cartridges, remember:

For Inkjets

- Place larger cartridges on the bottom
- Layer with cardboard or newspaper
- Place like cartridges in one layer
- Fill gaps and empty space with newspaper

For Toners

- Place cartridge back in original box, if available
- Place larger cartridges on the bottom
- Layer with cardboard or newspaper
- Place similar cartridges in one layer
- Use bubble wrap or newspaper to fill in the gaps