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In most parts of the country, once the garden is put to bed for the winter, the barbecue grill is forgotten until spring. But if your barbecue has seen better days, you may be wondering how to get rid of it instead of how to store it. As is the case for many items, it turns out that getting a new grill is a lot easier than properly disposing of an old one.

Hazardous Waste

If you have a gas grill, your first concern is the propane tank. Propane tanks are a hazardous waste; in some states, they are banned from landfills and many local communities have additional regulations regarding their disposal. The dealer where you obtained the gas will usually accept empty tanks for recycling. Even if they don't, they can probably advise you of local laws and disposal options. If you are dealing with a very old grill, you might need to deliver the tank to the local fire department for safe handling.

