

STAY SAFE

To properly and legally dispose of sharps / needles, **DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- ☺ **DO** use only an approved sharps container for sharps disposal.
- ☺ **DO** obtain an approved container (biohazard) to place your sharps before transport and disposal.
- ☺ **DO** place a secure lid on the sharps container.
- ☺ **DO** check with your HHW Program to verify Home-Generated Sharps Collection sites.
- ☺ **DO** ask your local HHW Program for clarification on sharps / needles management and disposal, if necessary.

ALWAYS use an approved sharps container



PROTECT

- ✓ You and your family
- ✓ Your community
- ✓ Wildlife
- ✓ The environment



Call 1-800-OILY CAT
(645-9228)

for updated information on
proper disposal of home-generated
sharps / needles



YOUR GUIDE TO SHARPS DISPOSAL

Use CAUTION with Sharps / Needles!

Sharps / needles can injure people, can spread disease (hepatitis and HIV/AIDS), damage recycling equipment, and the effects are long term. **YOU HAVE THE POWER** to prevent a situation like this simply by safely disposing of your used sharps. Do not place others at risk when safe alternatives are currently available.

To avoid needle sticks at home, **DON'T DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- 😱 **DON'T** throw used sharps / needles, syringes, or lancets in the garbage/trash, whether at home or away from home.
- 😱 **DON'T** put sharps / needles in recycling containers.
- 😱 **DON'T** flush sharps / needles down the toilet.
- 😱 **DON'T** put sharps / needles into used plastic milk jugs, coffee cans, plastic bags, bleach or soda bottles.
- 😱 **DON'T** handle someone else's sharps / needles.
- 😱 **DON'T** overfill sharps containers ($\frac{3}{4}$ full is max).
- 😱 **DON'T** place non-sharps items in your sharps containers (pills, wound dressings, surgical instruments and other large metal parts, hard, heavy plastics, glass, fabric, thermometers, test strips, liquid medications).





Disposing of Sharps / Needles

Per California State Law, it is illegal to dispose of sharps / needles in the trash, recycling bin or composting bins.

Traveling With Sharps / Needles

Never place used sharps / needles in the trash on airplanes, in hotel rooms, or in public restrooms.

DON'T FORGET: safe sharps / needle disposal is important no matter where you are — at home, at work, or on the road.

BE PREPARED: ask about options for safe sharps / needle disposal when you make travel reservations.



ALWAYS use an approved sharps container

If you aren't sure that sharps containers will be available where you're going, be sure to buy a sharps container that can hold your sharps / needles until you can properly dispose of them.

Proper Disposal Options for Sharps / Needles

The following Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Facilities accept home-generated sharps/needles in approved containers from San Bernardino County residents:

APPLE VALLEY 92308
13450 Nomwaket Road
Sat: 10am to 2pm

HESPERIA 92345
Hesperia Fire Station
17443 Lemon Street
Tues & Thurs: 9am to 1pm
Sat: 9am to 3pm

RIALTO 92376
City Maintenance Yard
246 Willow Avenue
2nd & 4th Fri & Sat:
8am to 12pm

REDLANDS 92374
Redlands City Yard
500 Kansas Street
Sat: 9am to 2pm

BARSTOW 92311
City of Barstow Corporation Yard
900 South Avenue 'H'
Sat: 9am to 2pm

JOSHUA TREE 92252
West of Transportation/ Flood Control Building
62499 Twentynine Palms Highway
3rd Sat: 9am to 1pm

SAN BERNARDINO 92408
San Bernardino International Airport
2824 East 'W' Street
Mon–Fri: 9am to 4pm

UPLAND 91786
Upland City Yard
1370 North Benson Avenue
Sat: 9am to 2pm

BIG BEAR LAKE 92315
Public Service Yard
42040 Garstin Drive
Sat: 9am to 2pm

ONTARIO 91761
1430 South Cucamonga Avenue
Fri & Sat: 9am to 2pm

TRONA 93562
County Fire Station
83732 Trona Road
Open Quarterly

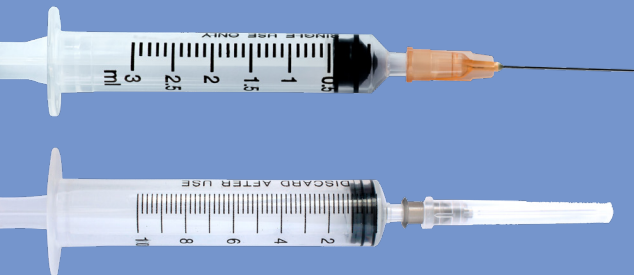
VICTORVILLE 92392
San Bernardino County Fairgrounds
East of Desert Knoll Drive on Loves Lane
Wed & Sun: 9am to 4pm

Approved Sharps Containers / Disposal

Containers can be purchased at your local:

- Walgreens
- CVS
- Wal-Mart
- Rite Aid

Consider using a "Mail-Back" service for proper disposal. You may also purchase the mail-back containers online.



The following are mail-back services approved by the California Department of Public Health (fees apply).

EnviroMed Safety & Compliance

805.882.3600 lessismore.org

GRP

800.207.0976 sharpsdisposal.com

Medasend, Inc.

800.200.3581 medasend.com

Republic Services

855.737.7871 republicsharps.com

Sharps Compliance, Inc.

800.772.5657 sharpsinc.com

Stericycle, Inc.

800.355.8773 stericycle.com

SAFE OPTIONS for Home Sharps / Needle Disposal

San Bernardino County Public Health Lab accepts home-generated sharps / needles in approved containers from **ALL San Bernardino County residents**.

Call **909.458.9430** | 150 East Holt Boulevard, Ontario | Mon–Fri: 8am to 5pm

For residents within the following CITY limits:

City of Fontana: 909.350.6789

City of Rancho Cucamonga: 909.919.2635

For residents within the following COUNTIES, contact:

Riverside County: 800.304.2226

Orange County: 714.834.4000

Los Angeles County: 800.988.6942

