

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

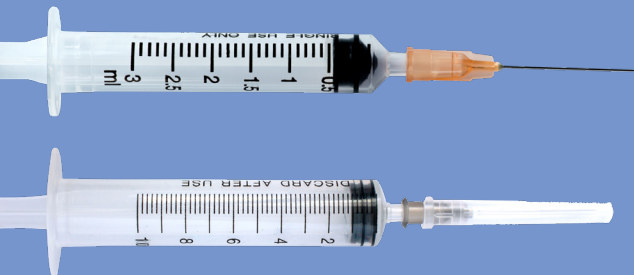
VICTORVILLE 92392
San Bernardino County Fairgrounds
East of Desert Knoll Drive on Loves Lane
Wed & Sun: 9am to 4pm

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).

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

