

Disposal of Sharps (Lancets, Syringes, and Pen Needles)

Throw away needles safely

All used needles must be thrown away safely to make sure others do not get poked. Throw all needles (lancets, syringes, and pen needles) into a special red sharps box. It is illegal to throw needles into the garbage. You can buy a red sharps box for your home at your local pharmacy. When the box is full, check with any of the following for information on how to get rid of the box:

- Your local pharmacy or online mail-back program
- Your garbage disposal company
- Your local recycling center