



4001 S. 120th St.
Omaha, NE 68137-1205

Hours: Wednesday 9-4:45
Thursday 9-6:15
Friday 9-4:45

Saturday By Appointment Only

Call 444-Sink (7465)

Open to Douglas and Sarpy County residents only.

No Business Waste.

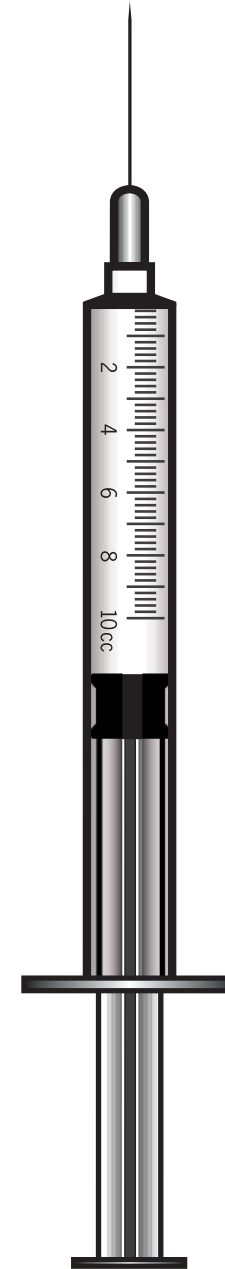


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Get the Point

Be Safe with Syringes and Lancets

A Home Guide to Syringe and Sharps Disposal



The Problem



If you use syringes and lancets to control diabetes, allergies, or any other medical symptom, your loose syringes thrown in your garbage or recyclables can hurt people.

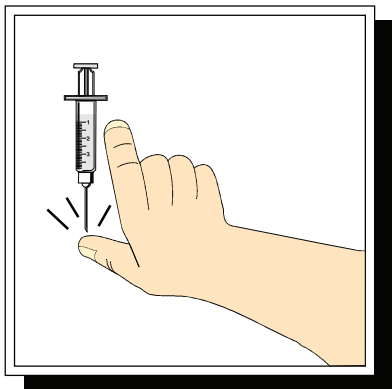
Sanitation workers face many hazards and being stuck by a needle is a real possibility if needles are not disposed of properly.

Even though you may feel healthy, your used syringes can cause harm and pass on germs.

Serious diseases such as Hepatitis B can result from an accidental needle stick!

The Goal

To prepare your sharps for safe disposal that protects people from needle sticks during transportation or disposal.



The Solution

The Safe Ways to Dispose of Your Syringes

Gather: Sturdy plastic bottle, such as a detergent bottle, masking tape, permanent marker

Sticker: Label the plastic bottle using masking tape and a permanent marker with the warning:

SHARPS!
Do Not Recycle.
Dispose Properly.

You can also purchase sharps containers from your pharmacist and it will be labeled properly.

Store: Keep this container away from children and pets. Carefully place each used syringe or lancet into the bottle. When storing, keep the cap on the bottle for safety.

Seal: When the bottle is full, secure the lid with tape.

Safe Disposal: Dispose of the filled bottle at **UnderTheSink**, 4001 South 120th Street. **UnderTheSink** is open to receive your sharps container: Wednesdays 9AM to 4:45PM; Thursday 9AM to 6:15PM; Friday 9AM to 4:45PM. It can be arranged for **UnderTheSink** to receive your sharps on Saturday, if you call 444-sink (444-7465).



Remember

- ✦ Keep your container out of reach of small children and pets with the lid on!
- ✦ Never flush your syringes or lancets down the toilet!
- ✦ Don't fill your container to the top! Allow two to three inches in-between the syringes and the neck of the plastic bottle.
- ✦ Put a lid on it! After you use a syringe or lancet, put it directly into your sharps collection container.
- ✦ When the bottle is full and tightly sealed, take it to **UnderTheSink**.

Syringe Disposal Restrictions

This brochure was designed for assistance with disposal of syringes and lancets used in private residences. Sharps produced in the health care industry are strictly regulated by law.

