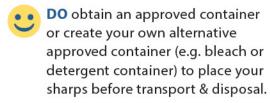
# SHARPS DISPOSAL





### **STAY SAFE**

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







DO ask your local HHW Program for clarification on sharps / needles management and disposal, if necessary.

**DO** place biohazardous waste labels on both sides of sharps container.



# 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 food containers, coffee cans, plastic bags, glass bottles or soda bottles.

**DON'T** handle someone else's sharps / needles.

**DON'T** overfill sharps containers (3/4 full is max).

pon'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).

## **PROTECT**

- ✓ Yourself and your family
- ✓ Your community
- √ Wildlife
- √ The environment

## Call 1-800-OILY CAT (645.9228) or 909.382.5401

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



FOR RESIDENTS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING CITY LIMITS, CONTACT:

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 **Los Angeles County:** 800.988.6942

Orange County: 714.834.4000

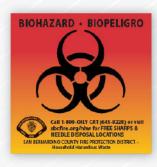
#### **How to Safely Dispose Sharps**

San Bernardino County residents can safely dispose of their used Sharps in a 2 gallon or smaller, heavy-duty, plastic container as an alternative to plastic bio-hazard sharps containers at participating Household Hazardous Waste Collection facilities.

Containers should only contain needles, lancets, and syringes with a needle attached that must be completely spent (no liquid remaining, including EpiPens).

#### **How To Create your Own Container:**

- Place sharps into an Approved Sharps Container or 2 gallon or smaller heavy-duty plastic container
- · Made of thick plastic (e.g. bleach or detergent container)
- · Do not use food product containers
- Must have a screw-top and puncture resistant lid
- 2 gallons or less
- Leak-resistant
- Remain upright when standing
- Place printed Bio-Hazard Label on both sides
- When ¾ filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed
- Sharps containers shall be taken to a participating HHW facility for disposal. DO NOT place in the trash.



**Print FREE labels** by visiting sbcfire.org/hhw

Preprinted labels are available at HHW collection facilities



#### 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.

#### Proper Disposal Options for Sharps / Needles

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

**APPLE VALLEY** 92308

13450 Nomwaket Road Sat: 10am to 2pm

BARSTOW 92311 City of Barstow

Corporation Yard 900 South Avenue 'H' Sat: 9am to 2pm

**BIG BEAR LAKE** 92315

Public Service Yard 42040 Garstin Drive Sat: 9am to 2pm

HESPERIA 92345

Hesperia Fire Station 17443 Lemon Street Thurs: 9am to 1pm Sat: 9am to 2pm

JOSHUA TREE 92252

West of Transportation/ Flood Control Building 62499 Twentynine Palms Highway

3rd Sat: 9am to 1pm

**ONTARIO** 91761

1430 South Cucamonga Avenue

Fri & Sat: 9am to 2pm

**RIALTO** 92376

City Maintenance Yard 246 Willow Avenue 2nd & 4th Fri & Sat:

8am to 12pm

**SAN BERNARDINO** 

92408

San Bernardino International Airport 2824 East 'W' Street

Mon-Fri: 9am to 4pm

**TRONA** 93562

County Fire Station 83732 Trona Road Open Quarterly

REDLANDS 92374

Redlands City Yard

500 Kansas Street Sat: 9am to 2pm

**UPLAND** 91786

Upland City Yard

1370 North Benson Avenue

Sat: 7:30am to 12:30pm

VICTORVILLE 92392

San Bernardino County Fairgrounds

East of Desert Knoll Drive on Loves Lane

Wed & Sun: 9am to 4pm

#### SAFE OPTIONS for Home Sharps / Needle Disposal

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH LAB accepts home-generated sharps / needles in approved Biohazard containers—or approved alternative containers from ALL San Bernardino County residents.

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

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 may apply):

GRP: 800.207.0976 | sharpsdisposal.com

Med Project: 833.633.7765 | med-project.org

Republic Services: 855.737.7871

republicsharps.com

Sharps Compliance, Inc.: 800.772.5657

sharpsinc.com

Stericycle, Inc.: 800.355.8773 | stericycle.com