



Proper Sharps (Needles) Disposal



Sharps should be disposed of in an FDA approved container. If one is not available, you can make one from an empty household container with these characteristics:

- Made from sturdy, rigid plastic (used laundry detergent bottle)
- Does not tip over
- Has a cap that does not puncture easily
- Does not have any leaks

When the container is three-quarters full, place the cap on it and tape it shut. Write "SHARPS" on the outside and place in your household garbage. Sharps containers should NEVER go in your curbside recycling bin or to a drop-off recycling location. Used sharps and their containers are NOT recyclable; they pose a serious hazard for workers at Material Recovery Facilities.

For more information, go to:

safeneedledisposal.org, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, or The US FDA.

- To ensure pickup, all trash, recycling, and yard waste should be at the curbside by 7 a.m. on the assigned pickup day.

Questions? Call the DPW at 248-871-2850 or visit www.fhgov.com.