

Madison County Solid Waste and Sanitation

Think Sharp! Madison County Safe Syringe Disposal Program

YES

Proper disposal of medical syringes at home can prevent injury, illness and pollution. Madison County's Safe Syringe Disposal Program makes syringe disposal easy and safe by providing special plastic containers for disposal of used medical syringes.

Do Place:

- * Needles,
- * Syringes, and
- * Lancets

in our free, red puncture resistant containers.

NO

Do Not:

- * put sharp objects in containers that will be recycled or returned to the store.
- * use metal, glass or clear plastic containers
- * throw used medical syringes in the garbage (unless they are in the special container).

FREE / FREE

Syringe disposal containers are available at the Madison County Landfill Office, the Public Health Department, and at the following pharmacies:

1. [Madison County Pharmacies](#)

HOW TO USE YOUR RED CONTAINER

1. Do not cap, remove or bend needles.
2. Drop used syringe, with needle pointing down, into container.
3. Do not overfill container.
4. Keep container out of reach of children.
5. When full, close and seal container, then dispose of it in your household garbage, or **better yet**, you may drop off your full container at the following convenient locations throughout Madison County:

Crouse Community Center

Location: 101 South St., Morrisville (receiving area)

Hours: 8:00am - 12 noon
Days: Wednesday only (except holidays)
Tel: 684-9595
Contact: Larry Nelson

Community Memorial Hospital - Building Service Office

Location: 150 Broad St., Hamilton (rear service entrance)
Hours: 1:00-3:00pm
Days: Wednesday only (except holidays)
Tel: 824-6566
Contact: Bob Ames

Oneida Health Care Center - Classroom A 1st Floor

Location: Route 5, Genesee St., Oneida
Hours: 8:00am - 12 noon
Days: Thursday only (except holidays)
Tel: 363-6000
Contact: Dave Fasolino

Stonehedge Nursing Home

Location: 331 Russell St., Chittenango
Hours: 12 noon - 2pm
Days: Tuesday only (except holidays)
Tel: 687-7255
Contact: Glenn Coughlin

DANGERS OF IMPROPER DISPOSAL

- Injure trash haulers
- Contaminate and jeopardize recycling program
- Be reused and shared by drug abusers, possibly spreading disease.

"SHARPS" AND RECYCLING DO NOT MIX

Syringes, needles, lancets should never be recycled. They may be contaminated, posing a danger to recycling workers. They can also cause a major problems in the recycling process.

Syringe disposal containers should always be separated from recyclable items.

And remember: "sharps" and recycling do not mix.

**For further information, please call:
Madison County Dept of Solid Waste & Sanitation
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Madison County Dept of Public Health
315-366-2361**

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