

Sharps Disposal in Los Angeles County

Dispose your sharps waste properly and safely! Take your sharps to a participating clinic, retailer, Sheriff's Station or S.A.F.E. Collection Center.

S.A.F.E. Centers

S.A.F.E. Centers are permanent collection sites that are open every weekend for residents to drop off their household hazardous waste, including sharps. Sharps must be brought in a State-approved container, or in a hard plastic, puncture-proof container. The container must have a lid. Loose sharps will not be accepted. This also applies to Epi-pens.

Nearby Locations

EAST VALLEY
RANDALL STREET SAFE CENTER
11025 Randall St., Sun Valley
Saturday & Sunday 9 AM-3 PM

CENTRAL LOS ANGELES
LA-GLendale SAFE CENTER
4600 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles
Saturday & Sunday 9 AM-3 PM
TEMPORARILY CLOSED



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Flyer (PDF)



Safety is the Point!



Workers on sorting lines are at risk whenever needles and other sharps are improperly disposed of. If pricked, workers have to go through a year of testing to find out if they have been exposed to infectious agents or dangerous chemicals.

Image from Burbank Recycle Center (November 2024)

Sheriff's Station Drop-off Boxes

24/7 drop-off boxes are available at 20
LA County Sheriff's stations for anonymous drop-off.



LA County Sheriff's Station Locations

HOME-GENERATED SHARPS WASTE ONLY
NOT FOR COMMERCIAL/BUSINESS USE

- Altadena** – 780 East Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001
- Carson** – 21356 S. Avalon Blvd., Carson 90745
- Century** – 11703 S. Alameda St., Lynwood 90262
- Compton** – 301 S. Willowbrook Ave., Compton 90221
- Crescenta Valley** – 4554 N. Briggs Ave., La Crescenta 91214
- East Los Angeles** – 5019 E. Third St., Los Angeles 90022
- Industry** – 150 N. Hudson Ave., Industry 91744
- Lakewood** – 5130 N. Clark Ave., Lakewood 90712
- Lancaster** – 501 W. Lancaster Blvd., Lancaster 93534
- Lomita** – 26123 S. Narbonne Ave., Lomita 90717
- Malibu/Lost Hills** – 27050 Agoura Hills Rd., Calabasas 91301
- Marina Del Rey** – 13851 Fiji Way, Marina Del Rey 90292
- Norwalk** – 12335 Civic Center Dr., Norwalk 90650
- Palmdale** – 750 Avenue Q, Palmdale 93550
- Pico Rivera** – 6631 Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera 90660
- San Dimas** – 270 S. Walnut Ave., San Dimas 91773
- South Los Angeles** – 1310 W. Imperial Hwy., Los Angeles 90044
- Temple** – 8838 E. Las Tunas Dr., Temple City 91780
- Walnut** – 21695 E. Valley Blvd., Walnut 91789

Request a mailback container

Another option is mailing sharps in an approved container.

Scan the QR code to request
a free mailback container

sharpstakebackcalifornia.org



USE A SHARPS CONTAINER TO SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY DISPOSE OF SHARPS!

KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE

DO NOT
throw loose
sharps in trash



DO NOT
put sharps
in recycling



DO NOT
flush sharps
down toilet



KEEP OUT
of reach
of children



ALWAYS USE A SHARPS CONTAINER

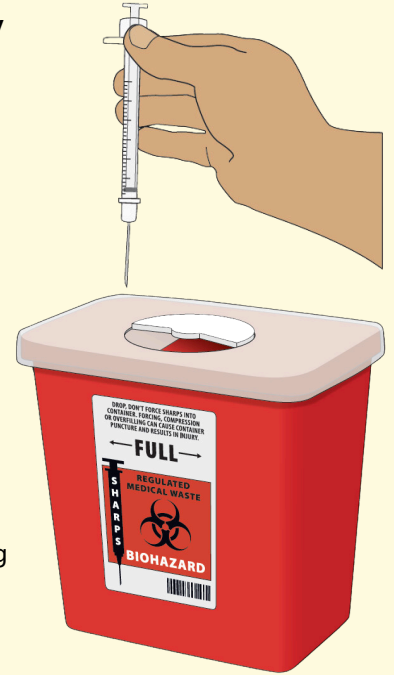
Used sharps are hazardous waste. When not discarded properly they can cut and infect others. Protect your community by always discarding your used sharps in a sharps disposal container.

FREE sharps containers may be available from your doctor, hospital, health insurance or medication supplier.

FREE mail-back containers can be ordered via:



sharpstakebackcalifornia.org
(844) 482-5322



For information about rules and laws in your community, contact the Coalition for Safe Community Needle Disposal at 800.643.1643. For more information on sharps visit fda.gov/safesharpsdisposal.

IF YOU CANNOT GET AN FDA-CLEARED SHARPS CONTAINER, FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:

Use an empty household container with these features:



DO NOT USE

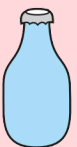
These containers can break or puncture easily.



Milk container



Water bottle



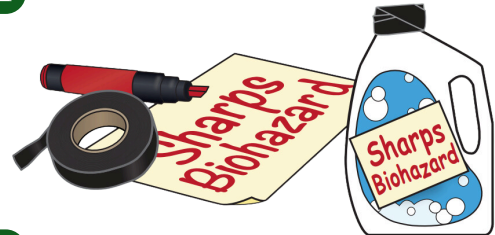
Glass container



Soda can

When discarding a household sharps container:

1 Close lid and tape shut. Label container.



2 Bring container to a sharps disposal program.

DO NOT THROW IN TRASH OR RECYCLING!

Drop off sealed containers at designated safe sharps disposal:

**11025 Randall St.
Sun Valley, CA 91352**

For a complete list of area sharps drop off, go to www.safeneedledisposal.org

