

Understanding Regulated Medical Wastes:



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Simple solutions for managing your complex waste streams.



Regulated Medical Waste

Stericycle specializes in proper pickup, treatment, and disposal of RMW, such as "red bag" medical waste and sharps containers.

Safely dispose of:

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| Sharps | Soft ("Red Bag") |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needles • Glass items (pipettes, culture dishes, slides, etc.) • Blades | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloody or saturated gauze, gloves, tubing • Dressings |



Pathological/Trace Chemo Waste

Secure pickup and incineration of all pathological items, including human* and animal tissue and/or items with residual amounts of chemotherapy medications on them.

Take care of your wastes for incineration:

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| Pathological | Trace Chemo |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limbs • Organs • Surgical specimens • Other tissue | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloves • Masks • Gowns • Barriers • IV tubing • Empty Chemo vials • Empty Chemo IV bags |

*Please refer to Stericycle's Waste Acceptance Policy regarding acceptable and unacceptable tissue.



Pharmaceutical Waste

Safe and simple disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous pharmaceutical wastes, with special subscription for controlled substances. Environmentally friendly solutions protect your communities, waterways and workplaces. Minimum effort, maximum impact.

Pharmaceutical waste is any pharmaceutical substance that can no longer be administered:

- Expired
- Partially administered
- Contaminated

Examples:

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| • Pills/capsules | • Ointments/creams |
| • Injectables | • Drops |
| • Elixirs | |

Containers may vary according to your state's regulations. Pharmaceutical containers vary depending on pharmaceutical type.

25+ Years' Experience

2B ^{lbs} of Regulated Waste Managed [1]

30M ^{lbs} Pharmaceutical Waste Safely Disposed [2]

99.5% On-time Service [3]

\$1M in Commercial Liability Protection [4]

1) Based on 2014 data and includes both hazardous and medical waste. 2) Based on 2014 data, this includes pharmaceuticals from all customers including retailers. 3) Based on missed stops report for medical waste YTD through September 2016. 4) Based on June 2016 Commercial General Liability policy with a limit of \$1M each occurrence.

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Medical Waste Packing Procedures:

PACKAGING PROCEDURES

FOR MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL • Reusable Containers' and Corrugated Boxes

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL

- Generators are responsible for packaging their wastes.
- Each bag must be hand tied by gathering and twisting the neck of the bag and using a tie or hand knot to secure the bag, and each container must be securely closed.
- Closed bags must not be visible once secondary container is closed.
- Improperly packaged containers or damaged containers will be denied pick-up or returned to the generator.
- Only Regulated Medical Waste can be placed in Stericycle containers.

SHARPS

- Sharp materials ("sharps") must be placed in a puncture-resistant container designed for "sharps" waste. "Sharps" include needles, syringes, broken glass, scalpels, culture slides, culture dishes, broken capillary tubes, broken rigid plastic and exposed ends of dental wires.
- All sharps containers should be properly closed before being placed into secondary containers.
- No loose sharps are permitted outside of sharps containers.

For more information, contact Stericycle at (866) 783-7422.



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CORRUGATED BOXES:

- Turn over and seal bottom flaps with tape
- Auto-locking boxes, engage bottom flaps

No set up required for Reusable Containers



STEP 1

LINE CONTAINER OR BOX WITH RED BAG**



STEP 2

TIE BAG WHEN BOX OR CONTAINER IS FULL



STEP 3

CORRUGATED BOXES:

- Seal top of box with tape
- Auto-locking boxes, engage top flaps

REUSABLE CONTAINERS:

- Secure lid on container
- Ensure all closure and/or locking mechanisms are engaged



STEP 4

CHECK MARKINGS

- Federal markings (see picture above)
- Additional state and local regulations may apply
- Apply bar code label where available



UNACCEPTABLE

* Instructions not applicable for reusable sharps containers.

** For large or bulk reusable containers (greater than 119 gallons), bag must meet and be marked per current ASTM requirements, limited to a maximum 46 gallons and 22 lbs.

All containers pictured here have a maximum weight limit of 50 pounds.

The information on the poster is based on current federal laws and regulations. Additional state specific regulations may apply. Please be advised that regulations are subject to change.

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Regulated Medical Waste Segregation Instructions:



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REGULATED MEDICAL WASTE

These **DO** go in the red bag:
Contaminated:

- Visibly Bloody Gloves
- Visibly Bloody Plastic Tubing
- Visibly Contaminated PPE
- Saturated Gauze
- Saturated Bandages
- Blood Saturated Items
- Closed Disposable Sharps Containers

Special handling and marking may be required for:

- Certain Pathological Waste*
- Trace-Chemotherapy*

These **DON'T** go in the red bag:



Medication*



Garbage



Loose Sharps



Fluorescein



Cauterizers



Batteries of Any Type



Hazardous and Chemical Waste



Compressed Gas Cylinders



Fixatives and Preservatives



Radioactive Waste

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Instructions for Determining What Items are Approved for Adding to Sharps Containers (AND What Items are NOT OK to Add):

To schedule a pickup, log in to MyStericycle.com or call 866-783-7422.



Regulated Medical Waste SHARPS CONTAINERS



PUT THESE IN THE SHARPS CONTAINER

- Acupuncture Needles
- Blood Vials
- Broken Glass or Capillary Tubes
- Culture Dishes and Slides
- Exposed Ends of Dental Wires
- Lancets
- Needles, Hypodermic and Tubing
- Pipettes
- Root Canal Files
- Scalpel Blades
- Suture Needles
- Syringes With and Without Needles
- Trauma Scene Waste that can Cut, Slice or Pierce
- Tubing With Needles



DON'T PUT THESE IN THE SHARPS CONTAINER

- Medication*
- Medication Wrappers
- Aerosols or Inhalers
- Garbage
- Batteries of Any Type
- Cauterizers
- Liquids
- Fluorescein
- Hazardous and Chemical Waste
- Radioactive Waste
- Fixatives and Preservatives
- Red Bag Waste (non-sharps regulated medical waste)

Order more sharps containers, red bags, liners, and waste supplies at MyStericycle.com.

*Please follow all federal, state, and local regulations.

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