

KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE

DO NOT
throw loose
sharps in trash



DO NOT
put sharps
in recycling



DO NOT
flush sharps
down toilet

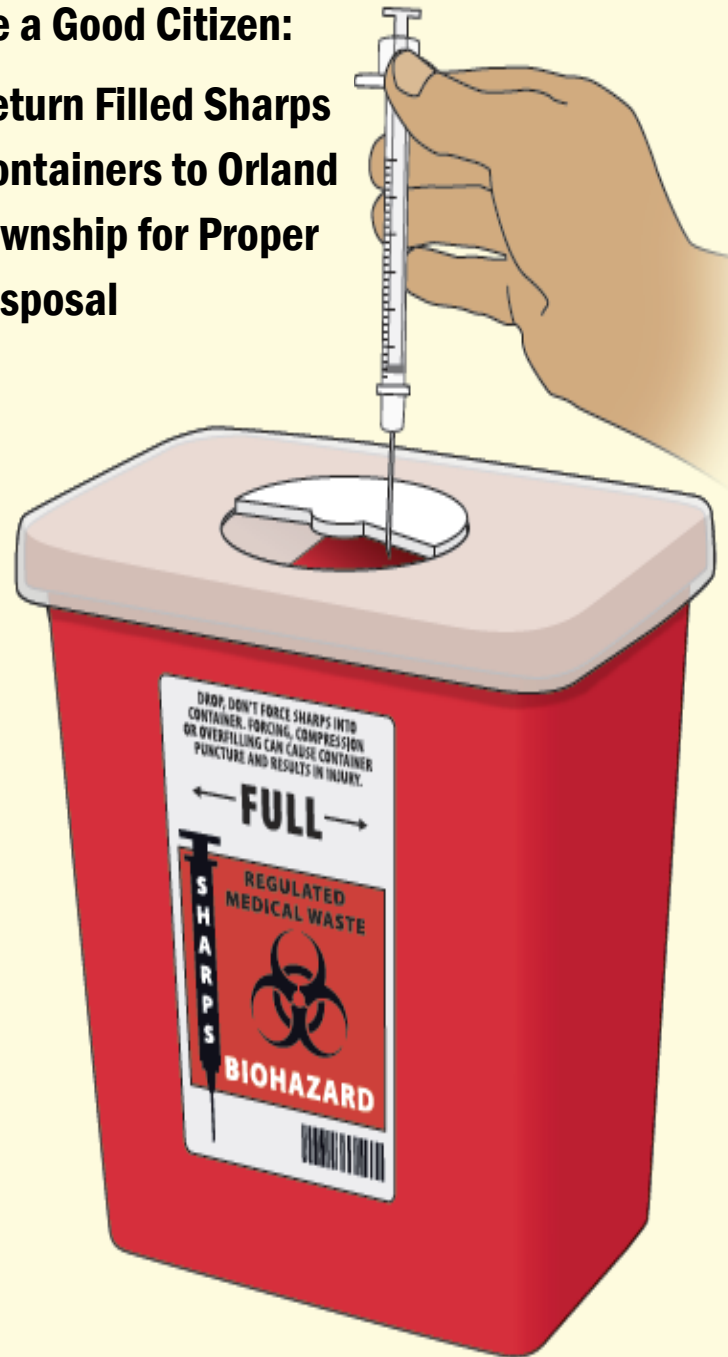


KEEP OUT
of reach
of children

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.

**Be a Good Citizen:
Return Filled Sharps
Containers to Orland
Township for Proper
Disposal**



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.

Know the Facts...

- Up to 850,000 people are injured every year by sharps, according to the FDA. That number includes only injuries related to home waste.
- Properly disposing of sharps protects you, your family, and the community from blood born pathogens, infectious diseases, and other illnesses.
- To protect people from these deadly diseases, sharps need to be safely sequestered.

What is a sharp? OSHA's Federal Standard defines a sharp as any contaminated object that can penetrate the skin. All of the following can be put in a sharps container, including but not limited to:

- Needles
- Scalpels
- Broken glass
- Broken capillary tubes
- Exposed ends of dental wires.
- Cardio-catheter wires
- Disposable suture sets and biopsy forceps
- Electrocautery devices (tips only)

What should you avoid putting in a sharps container? All of the following should not be disposed of through a sharps container:

- Medication and Medication Wrappers
- Aerosols or inhalers
- Garbage or liquids of any kind
- Batteries of any type
- Cauterizers
- Fluorescein
- Hazardous, chemical, radioactive or red bag waste (non-sharps regulated medical waste)
- Fixatives and preservatives

5 quart Sharp Containers Available for \$15

In order to use our disposal service, container MUST have Township seal