# What to Do with Used Sharps in Illinois

Put used sharps in a strong, plastic container.



#### Put the plastic container in the household trashdon't recycle!





If a trash collector is reluctant to collect a red sharps container, refer them to your <u>state waste agency.</u>

### **NO LOOSE SHARPS**



**Use a Sharps Container** 



If you do not have one use a suitable empty household container.

In some areas it is illegal to dispose of sharps in the trash. Please follow your community guidelines.



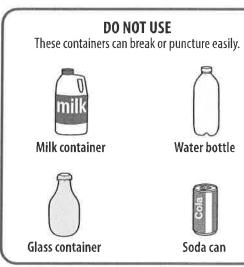
For information about rules and laws in your community, contact the Coalition for Safe Community Needle Disposal at 800.643.1643. For more information on sharps visit fda.gov/safesharpsdisposal.



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

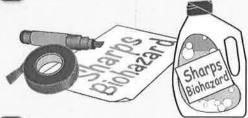
Use an empty household container with these features:





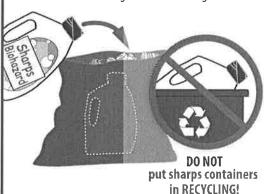
#### Discarding a household container:

Close lid and tape shut. Label container.



Bring container to a sharps disposal program.

If you cannot find a disposal program, put container in center of full trash bag and discard in regular trash.\*



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