

Always make sure your sharps are secured in a strong plastic container, for example:

- ✓ An Australian Standard Sharps container
- ✓ A puncture-resistant plastic container with a screw top
- ✗ Glass and cardboard containers are **NOT** recommended
- ✗ Tins are **NOT** recommended
- ✗ Plastic soft-drink/ water bottles are **NOT** recommended



Where to dispose of your sharps:

Participating Pharmacies



Hospital



Community Sharps disposal



Where NOT to dispose of your sharps:



Do not dispose of sharps in the bin

To help us provide better services fill out the sharps survey on

www.surveymonkey.com/r/MH76DGG

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What are Community Sharps?

Community Sharps are medical devices that penetrate the skin and are used in the home or outside formal medical services, such as hospitals.

They include:

Syringes



Pen needles



Lancets (finger prickers)



Insulin pump infusion set cannula insertion needles



Libre Flash Freestyle Monitor equipment



How do I dispose of my Community Sharps?

Place Sharps in an appropriate container. Dispose of containers only into Community Sharps disposal facilities at:

- ✓ Public hospitals
- ✓ Participating pharmacies
- ✓ Community Sharps disposal bins

Safe disposal of Community Sharps reduces the risk of harm to others and the environment



A selection of Community Sharps disposal containers are available from diabetesshop.com

How to store sharps:

- ✓ An Australian Standard Sharps container

Where is my local sharps disposal facility?

To locate your nearest Community Sharps disposal facility or to get more information, visit:



www.safesharps.org.au

On the Safe Sharps website you can search for your nearest Safe Sharps disposal locations, get directions to the facility and view its opening hours.

You can also call Diabetes NSW & ACT on **1300 342 238** or call your local Council for further information.

Check with your local disposal facility that larger containers are accepted.



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