

# Madison County Solid Waste and Sanitation

**Think Sharp!**

## Madison County Safe Syringe Disposal Program

### YES

Proper disposal of medical syringes at home can prevent injury, illness and pollution. Madison County's Safe Syringe Disposal Program makes syringe disposal easy and safe by providing special plastic containers for disposal of used medical syringes.

Do Place:

- \* Needles,
- \* Syringes, and
- \* Lancets

in our free, red puncture resistant containers.

### NO

Do Not:

- \*Put sharp objects in containers that will be recycled or returned to the store.
- \*Use metal, glass, or clear plastic containers.
- \*Throw used medical syringes in the garbage (unless they are in the special container).

### FREE / FREE

Syringe disposal containers are available at the Madison County Landfill Office, The Madison County Landfill transfer stations, and at the following pharmacies:

[Madison County Pharmacies](#)

### HOW TO USE YOUR RED CONTAINER

1. Do not cap, remove or bend needles.
2. Drop used syringe, with needle pointing down, into container.
3. Do not overfill container.
4. Keep container out of reach of children.

5. When full, close and seal container, then dispose of it in your household garbage, or **better yet**, you may drop off your full container at the following convenient locations throughout Madison County:

**Crouse Community Center**

Location: 101 South St, Morrisville (receiving area)  
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon  
Days: Wednesday only (except holidays)  
Tel: 684-9595  
Contact: Larry Nelson

**Community Memorial Hospital - Building Service Office**

Location: 150 Broad St., Hamilton (rear service entrance)  
Hours: 1:00- 3:00 p.m.  
Days: Wednesday only (except holidays)  
Tel: 824-6566  
Contact: Bob Ames

**Oneida Health Care Center - Classroom A 1st Floor**

Location: Route 5, Genesee St., Oneida  
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon  
Days: Thursday only (except holidays)  
Tel: 363-6000  
Contact: Dave Fasolino

**Stonehedge Nursing Home**

Location: 331 Russell St., Chittenango  
Hours: 12 noon – 2 p.m.  
Days: Tuesday only (except holidays)  
Tel: 687-7255  
Contact: Glenn Coughlin

**DANGERS OF IMPROPER DISPOSAL**

- Injure trash haulers
- Contaminate and jeopardize recycling program
- Be reused and shared by drug abusers, possibly spreading disease.

**"SHARPS" AND RECYCLING DO NOT MIX**

Syringes, needles, lancets should never be recycled. They may be contaminated, posing a danger to recycling workers. They can also cause major problems in the recycling process.

Syringe disposal containers should always be separated from recyclable items.

**Remember: Sharps and recycling do NOT mix.**

**For further information, please call:  
Madison County Dept of Solid Waste & Sanitation  
1-800-721-2208**