

Who Can Participate?

This is a sharps container program for household residents in Douglas County. You can bring sharps in approved containers to any transfer station. Douglas County transfer station attendants will accept your approved container for disposal free of charge, and give you a new container.

Residential care facilities, group homes and other commercial generators of sharps (for example: medical offices and facilities, veterinary clinics, and livestock operations) should contact a medical waste management company for disposal options.



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**Residential
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What Are Sharps?

Sharps include needles, IV tubing with needles attached, scalpel blades, lancets, glass tubes and slides, and syringes.



According to state law, approved sharps containers are rigid, leak-proof, puncture resistant, sealed and clearly marked with the bio-hazard symbol.

How Does the Program Work?

Come to a Douglas County Solid Waste transfer station to request an approved sharps container. You may also purchase approved containers at many local pharmacies and medical supply stores.

Each time you bring in a full sharps container to a solid waste transfer station for disposal, you will receive a new container...

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Safety

For safety reasons, **sharps that are not in approved sharps containers cannot be accepted** at Douglas County solid waste transfer stations.

If you bring loose sharps or sharps in an unapproved container to a Douglas County solid waste transfer station, County staff will ask that you transfer those sharps into an approved container.

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