

What is sharps waste?

Home-generated sharps waste includes hypodermic needles, pen needles, intravenous needles, lancets

(Scalpels), and other devices that are used to penetrate the skin for medicinal purposes.

Why can't I throw them in the trash? It's illegal! State law prohibits disposal of sharps waste in the trash.



How do I properly dispose of them?

Contact NASA services at 323-888-0388 to pick up a free sharps disposal container with a paid postage stamp. Once the container is filled seal it properly and mail back to NASA services.



Pick up your container at: 1100 S. Maple ave. Montebello, CA 90640

You can also contact the Sheriff's Station at (562) 949-2421 for information about their sharps recycling program.