PHARMACEUTICAL DISPOSAL



USED MEDICAL NEEDLE & SYRINGE (SHARPS) DISPOSAL







- The City of Frisco recommends that unwanted medications are rendered useless before disposal. These methods include crushing or adding medications to old coffee grinds, kitty litter, etc.
- Once it is rendered useless, place in sealed bag or container (remember to remove all personal Information from prescription bottles) and place in trash cart.
- Please note that the City of Frisco can accept NONprescription (over the counter)medications during regular Household Chemical Collection hours at the Environmental Collection Center.
- The City of Frisco <u>will accept</u> both prescription pills and over the counter medications at Chunk Your Junk events only. Needles and syringes (sharps) are NOT accepted.
- The City of Frisco recommends that if you can not make it to the Chunk Your Junk event that you render other medications useless before disposal.



For more information please contact the City of Frisco Environmental Services Department

6616 Walnut Street Frisco, TX 75033 Phone: 972-292-5900

www.FriscoTexas.gov/Recycle

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Tips or safe disposal of sharps

- Place needles and syringes in a hard plastic or metal container with a tightly secured lid. (The container should be labeled "Syringes," "Sharps," or "Needles.")
- Keep the container out of the reach of children and pets.
- When the container is full, seal and reinforce its lid with heavy duty tape.
- Dispose the sealed container in your household trash.
- A laundry-detergent or bleach bottle will make a good needle disposal container.
- Don't use see-through containers.
- Label the container "Syringes," "Sharps," or "Needles."
- The thicker the wall, the safer the container.
- Never throw loose needles in the garbage. Loose or protruding needles are a danger to everyone, especially trash collectors, because they can cause accidental needle stick injuries that may require, at a minimum, testing for HIV and hepatitis.
- Health-care professionals who provide in-home care must take sharps back to their clinics, hospitals, or places of business to be managed as medical waste.
- More information regarding medical waste is available at

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/medicalwaste



