

FARMER/BUSINESS INFORMATION

If you are a farmer or a business seeking a sharps disposal program there are several options available:

Infection Waste Transporters

Find a list of Licensed Infection Waste Transporter on <http://dnr.wi.gov>

Phone: 1-888-266-2111

Mail-back Programs

Internet search: "sharps mail-back"

MedPro Disposal

www.Medprodisposal.com

Phone: 888-641-6131

Sharps Compliance, Inc.

Sharpsinc.com



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Website:

<http://dnr.wi.gov>

Search "Healthcare waste"

Email:

DNRMedicalWaste@wisconsin.gov

Phone:

(608) 266-2111



P.O. Box 238
412 W Kinne St.
Ellsworth, WI 54011

Phone: 715-273-6755
Fax: 715-273-6854

www.co.pierce.wi.us

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SHARPS DISPOSAL



Our mission is to promote healthy behaviors, prevent disease and injury, and protect against environmental hazards.

PIERCE COUNTY SHARPS DISPOSAL

WHY DISPOSE SHARPS?

Improper disposal of sharps (needles, syringes, and lancets) pose danger to waste haulers including needle sticks and the potential to spread infectious diseases.

Wisconsin requires everyone to dispose of sharps separately from other waste. Sharps may not be disposed with:

- Household waste
- Farm waste
- Recyclable materials (glass, metals, plastic containers, etc.)

WHO CAN DISPOSE?

All individuals that generate sharps, and are in need of disposal, can drop sharps at specified locations. For example, lancets for insulin with Diabetic clients, medication injections for personal or household pets.

Pierce County Health Department asks that businesses and farmers look into alternative options for sharps disposal due to their large collection amounts.

If transporting more than 50 pounds of medical waste per month, a license from the DNR is required.

HOW TO DISPOSE OF SHARPS

1. Place the sharps in rigid, puncture resistant containers with secure lids or caps.

Acceptable containers include:

- Containers specifically for sharps
- Sharps containers are available at most local drop off sites.

Unacceptable containers include:

- Glass jars or bottles
- Metal cans or pails, and coffee cans (the lids are too easily punctured)
- Plastic bottles, jugs, tubs and/or pails
- Plastic bags
- Pop cans or soda bottles

2. Visibly label the sharps container “Biohazard,” “Infectious waster,” or “Sharps.”
3. When the container is full or the sharps need to be disposed of, seal and label it, store it out of the reach of children, and dispose of it properly.



WHERE DO WE DISPOSE?

Biohazard sharps containers can be picked up and dropped off at any of the following locations:

River Falls Area Hospital/Emergency Room

1629 E Division St.
River Falls, WI 54022

Pierce County Health Department

412 West Kinne St.
Ellsworth, WI 54011
8:00am - 5:00pm , Mon. - Fri.

Pierce County River Falls Office

1234 S Wasson Ln.
River Falls WI 54022

Plum City Care Center

301 Cherry Street
Plum City WI 54761

Pierce County Pharmacies

Before attempting to drop off sharps at a location, always call ahead and verify they accept sharp disposal containers.