NEVER PUT SHARPS IN A RECYCLING OR TRASH CART

WHY YOU SHOULD NEVER PUT SHARPS IN A RECYCLING CART

Recyclables must be sorted by hand. Any sharp placed in your recycling cart or bin can stick a worker or puncture his or her gloves, left. See guidelines at right for the proper disposal of sharps.

The Proper Way to Dispose of Sharps

By state law it is illegal to discard your sharps (needles and lancets) in household (or commercial) recycling or garbage.

They must be placed in a certified sharps container and dropped off or sent to facilities licensed to handle biohazardous materials. Local and nearby dropoff sites include the following:

- Alamo Sheriff’s Substation – 150 Alamo Plaza, Suite C, Alamo
- Benicia Fire Station – 150 Military West, Benicia
- Clayton City Hall – 6000 Heritage Trail, 2nd Floor, Clayton
- Delta Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility, 2550 Pittsburg-Antioch Hwy., Antioch
- Lafayette Fire Station – 3338 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette
- Martinez Police Station – 525 Henrietta St., Martinez
- Moraga Fire Station – 1280 Moraga Way, Moraga
- Mt. View Sanitary District – 3800 Arthur Road, Martinez
- Orinda Police Department – 22 Orinda Way, Orinda
- Rossmoor Medical Center Pharmacy – 1220 Rossmoor Pkwy., Walnut Creek
- San Ramon Fire District – 1500 Bollinger Canyon Road, San Ramon
- Walnut Creek City Hall – 1666 N. Main St., Walnut Creek