

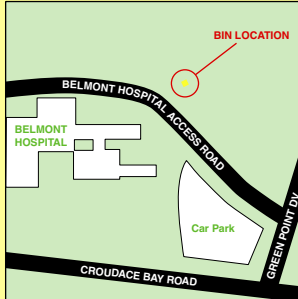
Be a community sharps....



FREE Community sharps disposal facilities are available at:

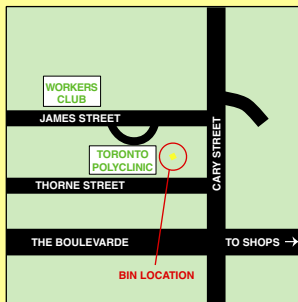
BELMONT

Belmont Hospital
Large yellow bin on
right side of Hospital
access road.
24 HOUR SERVICE



TORONTO

Toronto Polyclinic
Large yellow bin
in James Street
24 HOUR SERVICE



CARDIFF

Anderson's Pharmacy Ph 4954 5355
50 Harrison St Cardiff
8.30am - 7.00pm weekdays
8.30am - 5.00pm Saturday
9.00am - 3.00pm Sunday

CAVES BEACH

Caves Beach Pharmacy Ph 4972 0795
Shop 9, 64 Caves Beach Rd, Caves Beach
8.00am - 6.00pm Monday-Friday
8.00am - 2.00pm Saturday

CHARLESTOWN

Charlestown Pharmacy Ph 4943 4872
178 Pacific Highway, Charlestown
8.30am - 9.00pm Monday - Saturday
9.00am - 9.00pm Sunday

GLENDALE

Chemist Works Glendale Ph 4956 5644
In the Stockland Super Centre
9.00am - 7.00pm weekdays
9.00am - 9.00pm Thursday
9.00am - 5.00pm Saturday
9.00am - 4.00pm Sunday

MORISSET

Morisset Pharmacy Ph 4973 1539
87 Dora Street
9.00am - 6.00pm
seven days

SWANSEA

Swansea Pharmacy Ph 4971 1383
148 Pacific Highway
8.30am - 7.00pm Monday - Saturday
9.00am - 1.00pm, 5.00pm - 7.00pm, Sunday
and Public Holidays

For further information on disposal of community sharps contact:

Lake Macquarie City Council
Box 1906 Hunter region Mail Centre NSW 2310
Email: council@lakemac.nsw.gov.au
Phone: 4921 0333



Be a community sharps Safety Stickler

with all used syringes, needles and lancets



A guide to the safe disposal of community sharps in Lake Macquarie



...Safety Stickler

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What are community sharps?

Many people rely on using needles and syringes to maintain their own health or that of a family member. Injecting equipment is also used by injecting drug users, and for animal healthcare by pet and livestock owners.

Community sharps is the name used to describe needles, syringes, lancets and similar equipment resulting from these activities.

Disposal of community sharps

Community sharps should always be kept secure and separate from other wastes.

Because of the high risk of injury to workers and other community members they should never be disposed of:

- X** in household waste or recycling bins (plastic syringes are NOT recyclable)
- X** in public litter bins
- X** by flushing down toilets or drains
- X** by discarding into the environment.

Use community sharps bins for the correct disposal of your sharps.

- ✓** Use a yellow sharps container or other appropriate puncture resistant container (eg heavy duty plastic, NOT glass)
- ✓** Store the container out of reach of children
- ✓** Seal the lid of the container when 3/4 full and dispose of container at one of the community sharps disposal facilities listed in this brochure.



Lake Macquarie City Council community sharps bins are available for use

24 hours a day

7 days a week*

Disposal is free of charge.

If you find injecting equipment

While the risk of acquiring a serious infection as a result of an accidental injury from a community sharp is extremely low, the anxiety resulting from such an injury can be significant.

If you find a syringe in a public place help protect your community by calling the:

Needle Clean Up Hotline 1800 633 353

* Belmont Hospital and Toronto Polyclinic

