



PACKAGING PROCEDURES FOR MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL

Using Stericycle Reusable Containers*

EXAMPLES



STEP 1



**LINE CONTAINER
WITH RED BAG****

STEP 2



**TIE BAG WHEN
CONTAINER IS FULL**

STEP 3



SECURE LID ON CONTAINER

- Ensure all closure and/or locking mechanisms are engaged

STEP 4



CHECK MARKINGS

- Federal markings (see picture above)
- Additional state regulations may apply, see Stericycle representative
- Apply bar code label where available

UNACCEPTABLE



* Not applicable for reusable sharps containers.

** For large or bulk reusable containers (greater than 119 gallons), bag must meet and be marked per current ASTM requirements, limited to a maximum 46 gallons and 22 lbs.

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL

- Generators are responsible for packaging their wastes.
- Each bag must be hand tied by gathering and twisting the neck of the bag and using a tie or hand knot to secure the bag, and each container must be securely closed.
- Closed bags must not be visible once secondary container is closed.
- Improperly packaged containers or damaged containers will be denied pick-up or returned to the generator.
- Only Regulated Medical Waste can be placed in Stericycle containers.

SHARPS

- Sharp materials ("sharps") must be placed in a puncture-resistant container designed for "sharps" waste. "Sharps" include needles, syringes, broken glass, scalpels, culture slides, culture dishes, broken capillary tubes, broken rigid plastic and exposed ends of dental wires.
- All sharps containers should be properly closed before being placed into secondary containers.
- No loose sharps are permitted outside of sharps containers

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