

# How do I safely dispose of my sharps?

Community Sharps Disposal Bin Locations in the Riverina Eastern Region

**Adelong**  
**Adelong Community Centre**  
Tumut Street  
Phone 6946 2055

**Batlow**  
**Davis Pharmacy**  
Pioneer Street  
Phone 6949 1153

**Coolamon**  
**Coolamon Pharmacy**  
103 Cowabbie Street  
Phone 6927 3204

**Cootamundra**  
**Braybrooks' Pharmacy**  
200 Parker Street  
Phone 6924 1060

**Culcairn**  
**Culcairn Pharmacy**  
27 Railway Parade  
Phone 6029 8270

**Henty**  
**Henty Pharmacy**  
26 Sladen Street  
Phone 6929 3174

**Holbrook**  
**Holbrook Pharmacy**  
119 Albury Street  
Phone 6036 2055

**Gundagai**  
**Gundagai Chemist**  
118 Sheridan Street  
Phone 6944 1148

**Rear of Accident and Emergency**  
Gundagai Hospital  
William Street  
Phone 6944 1022

**Junee**  
**Mike Brosio Chemist**  
84 Lorne Street  
Phone 6924 1151

**Lockhart**  
Council provides sharps containers  
Disposal available through hospital

**Temora**  
**Russ Miller's Chemist**  
204 Hoskins Street  
Phone 6977 2026

**Tumut**  
**Tumut Amcal Pharmacy**  
66 Wynyard Street  
Phone 6947 1179

**Tumbarumba**  
**Tumbarumba Pharmacy**  
23b The Parade  
Phone 6948 2031

**Urana**  
Council provides sharps containers  
Disposal available through hospital

**West Wyalong**  
**Dodd's Pharmacy**  
115 Main Street  
Phone 6972 2378

**Wagga Wagga**  
**Ashmont Pharmacy**  
Shop 2 Ashmont Mall  
Phone 6931 1933  
**Gissing's Pharmacy**  
Marketplace Shopping Centre  
Forsyth Street  
Phone 6931 7840

**Gissing's Pharmacy**  
Shop 13 Sturt Mall  
Phone 6921 2101

**Kennedy's Pharmacy**  
157/159 Baylis Street  
Phone 6921 7029

**Tolland Pharmacy**  
Bourke Street  
Phone 6931 1120

**Wagga Wagga City Council**  
Fernleigh Road Depot  
(Allan Turner Depot)

# Who should I call for more information?

Call your local Council, the Centre for Public Health, Albury on (02) 6021 4799 or the "Needle Clean Up Hotline" on 1800 633 353

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A guide for non-commercial users of sharps. Produced by the Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils with the assistance of the Greater Murray Area Health Service

SHARPS MUST BE BROUGHT INTO THE ABOVE LOCATIONS IN A SEALED NON-PENETRABLE CONTAINER, SUCH AS A SHARPS CONTAINER

## How do I safely dispose of my sharps?

This publication is a guide for people with diabetes, haemophilia and other conditions that require sharps disposal.

Councils across the eastern Riverina would like to make sure that sharps are properly disposed of in our communities.

This brochure has been developed with the kind assistance of the Centre for Public Health in order to assist sharps users to dispose of their used sharps safely.

Should you have any further queries about sharps disposal, please contact your local Council or the Centre for Public Health.

## What are sharps?

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Sharps are objects that are intended for cutting or penetrating the skin.

They include, but are not limited to:

- Needles
- Syringes with a needle
- Intravenous giving sets
- Lancets
- Scalpel blades

### How should I handle my sharps?

People who use sharps should ensure they are stored correctly so that there is no risk of injury to anyone who may come into contact with the used sharps.

As a guide, you should do the following:

- Store sharps in a puncture proof container (preferably a yellow "sharps container")
- Store sharps containers out of reach of children
- When the container is full, seal the lid firmly and take it to your local sharps disposal bin.

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Medical sharps containers can be purchased from:

- Local pharmacies
- Diabetes Australia
- "Fit Packs" (includes "sharps" container) for intravenous drug users are also available from your local pharmacist and local health service.

### How do I dispose of my sharps container?

When the container is full seal the lid firmly and take it to your local hospital or a Community Sharps Disposal Bin (see reverse for locations in the eastern Riverina)

- Do not remove used sharps from the sealed container