

HOW TO GET RID OF SYRINGES SAFELY

If you find a syringe on public property, call 311.
If you pick up a syringe in order to get rid of it:

DO:

Wear gloves and use tongs or a dustpan.



Place in a sharps container or plastic bottle with a secure lid.



Wash or disinfect hands and tools afterward.



AVOID:

Throwing loose syringes in the trash or sewer.



WHERE CAN I GET RID OF USED SYRINGES SAFELY?

Syringe Service Programs will take loose syringes and containers with used syringes. Some hospitals, clinics, pharmacies and community organizations have syringe disposal boxes.

To find the nearest place to get rid of used syringes, call **311** or visit nyc.gov/health and search for **syringes**.