

Packaging Procedures

For Reusable Containers and Corrugated Boxes*

How to Prepare Your Waste Container for Pickup

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Corrugated Boxes:

- Turn over and seal bottom flaps with tape
- Auto-locking boxes, engage bottom flaps

No set up required for reusable containers

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Line the container or box with red bag**

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Tie bag when box or container is full

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Reusable Containers:

- Secure lid on container
- Ensure all closure and/or locking mechanisms are engaged

Corrugated Boxes:

- Seal top of box with tape
- Auto-locking boxes, engage top flaps

Don't put loose sharps in liners.
Don't let bags stick out of boxes or containers.

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Check markings

- Federal markings (see picture above)
- Additional state and local regulations may apply
- Apply barcode label where available

Regulatory Requirements

GENERAL

- Generators are responsible for packaging waste.
- 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 pickup 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.

All containers pictured here have a maximum weight limit of 50 pounds.

The information on the poster is based on current federal laws and regulations. Additional state-specific regulations may apply. Please be advised that regulations are subject to change.

* Instructions 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.

Order more red bags, liners, sharps containers, and waste supplies at [MyStericycle.com](https://www.MyStericycle.com).

Procedimientos de Empaque

Para Contenedores Reutilizables y Cajas de Cartón Corrugado*

Cómo preparar su contenedor de residuos para la recogida

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Cajas de Cartón Corrugado:

- Voltea i/o Voltee la caja y cierre las solapas de la parte de abajo con cinta adhesiva
- Junte las solapas de la parte inferior de la caja; la caja se cierra

No requiere ensamblaje envases reutilizables

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Coloque la bolsa roja en el contenedor**

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Amarre la bolsa cuando se llene el contenedor

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No deseche los objetos puntiagudos en las bolsas rojas.

No deje las bolsas sobresalir de las cajas o los recipientes.

Cajas de Cartón Corrugado:

- Cierre la parte superior de la caja con cinta adhesiva
- Junte las solapas de la parte superior de la caja; la caja se cierra automáticamente

Contenedores Reutilizables:

- Afirme la tapa sobre el contenedor
- Verifique que todos los cierres y/o mecanismos de traba estén asegurados

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Verifique las marcas

- Marcas federales (ver foto arriba)
- Pueden aplicar otras regulaciones estatales y locales
- Aplique la etiqueta con el código de barras, si está disponible

Requisitos Regulatorios

GENERALES

- Los generadores son responsables de los desechos de empaque.
- Cada bolsa tiene que ser cerrada a mano. Para cerrar la bolsa, enrollé la parte de arriba de la bolsa y amárrela a mano con un nudo o un sujetador. Cada envase debe estar bien cerrado.
- Las bolsas cerradas no deben estar visibles una vez que el envase secundario esté cerrado.
- Los envases mal empacados o dañados no se recogerán o se devolverán al a quien los haya generado.
- Sólo se pueden poner desechos médicos regulados en los envases de Stericycle.

ARTÍCULOS PUNZANTES

- Los materiales punzantes ('sharps') se deben colocar en un envase que resista las perforaciones, diseñado para desechos punzantes. Los desechos punzantes incluyen agujas, jeringas, vidrio roto, bisturíes, portaobjetos de cultivo, placas de cultivo, tubos capilares rotos, plásticos rígidos rotos y los extremos expuestos de alambres dentales.
- Todos los envases para desechos punzantes se deben cerrar apropiadamente antes de colocarlos en los envases secundarios.
- No se permiten artículos punzantes sueltos i/o sueltos fuera de los envases para desechos punzantes.

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Puede hacer pedidos de bolsas rojas, forros, recipientes de objetos puntiagudos y otros suministros para la eliminación de residuos al [MyStericycle.com](https://www.stericycle.com).



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