

What To Do With A Found Needle

With a few simple steps, it's OK to throw it away.

1

Put on heavy duty gloves and use pliers or tongs to place the needle in a **thick plastic container** like a laundry detergent bottle.



2

Screw on the lid and **seal it well** with strong tape, like duct tape.



Tip: look for "HDPE 2" imprinted in the plastic.

3

Write "**Do Not Recycle**" on the container and throw it away in the regular trash.



If you are stuck by someone else's needle:

1. Wash the wound well with soap and water.
2. Seek medical attention right away.

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