Never place these items in your curbside carts

Syringes & Hypodermic Needles

There are three locations for Charlotte County residents to pick up and drop off sharps containers.

How to use your sharps container:

- Do not clip the needle.
- Do not recap the needle.
- Place hypodermic needle in the red sharps container.
- When filled, secure the lid. Do not overfill.
- Take the full sharps container to one of the facilities listed below and you will be given a free replacement container.
- If you are physically unable to exchange your sharps container for medical reasons, call Charlotte County to request a pickup and exchange (941) 764-4360.

Mid County Transfer & Recycling Facility
19675 Kenilworth Blvd, Port Charlotte
Tuesday—Saturday 9:00am—4:00 pm

Punta Gorda Public Safety Building
3410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda
Monday—Friday: 8:00am—4:30pm

West County Transfer & Recycling Facility
7070 Environmental Way, Englewood
Tuesday—Saturday: 9:00 am—4:00pm

Household Hazardous Waste

How do You Know is a Product is Hazardous?
A product is considered hazardous if it is corrosive, toxic, flammable, or reacts or explodes when mixed with other substances. Watch out for signal words on labels such as poison, danger, warning, and caution.

How do You Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste?
The Charlotte County Solid Waste Division offers year round HHW Collections at our Recycling Centers in Port Charlotte and Englewood. These facilities are open every Tuesday through Saturday, 9am to 4pm, except for major holidays. These facilities are for Charlotte County residents only. No Commercial Hazardous Waste will be accepted.

For complete details about proper disposal of your HHW, visit www.charlottecountyfl.gov and click on Garbage and Recycling on the left side under Popular Links.
**Mini Transfer & Recycling Facility Policy**

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- Unlimited

**Recycling Materials (Unlimited)**
- Unlimited

**Refuse, Yard Trimmings, C&D debris (Limitations)**
- Residents can bring these materials to the facility no more than 6 times per fiscal year (Oct-Sep)
- Total volume cannot exceed 18 cubic yards per fiscal year
- Total volume of C&D debris cannot exceed 6 cubic yards per fiscal year
- Cabinets must be broken down (flattened)
- Tires smaller than 22” (limited to 6 per fiscal year)

**Businesses** may drop off the following materials: Cardboard, Mixed Paper, Newspaper, Plastics, Aluminum Cans, Steel Cans, and Glass. All other waste materials from businesses are prohibited at these facilities.

**C.A.R.E. Project Reuse** – C.A.R.E. (Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies, Inc.) sells discarded, useable household items at both facilities. Donate, rather than discard useable items to C.A.R.E. Proceeds from the sale of reusable items help victims in Charlotte County. Call 941.624.3488 (Mid County) or 941.697.8800 (West County) for more information or to volunteer with C.A.R.E.

**Construction and Demolition (C&D) Debris** – materials from the construction, demolition, or renovation of any part of a structure, inside or outside. Glass, brick, sheetrock, lumber, pipe, tile, carpet/padding, wood scrap, doors, windows, cabinets (must be broken down), sinks, toilets, countertops, landscaping timbers, fencing, screen, vinyl siding, concrete, asphalt, and rocks are all examples of C&D. No items longer than 8 feet are accepted.

**Household Product Reuse Shop** – visit the County’s Chemical Reuse Shop at Mid County Mini Transfer & Recycling Facility and take home anything from motor oil, furniture polish, to house paint for FREE. The Reuse Shop is located inside C.A.R.E. and residents must sign a waiver of liability to receive the products. These products are limited to availability and on a first come basis.

**Putrescible waste, such as household garbage** that decomposes or becomes foul smelling and rots, is not accepted.

**Household Yard Trimmings Information** – we do not accept items that are longer than 8 feet or more than 20 inches in diameter.

**PROHIBITED USE:**
- Commercial or "For Hire" Haulers.
- Commercial vehicles hauling materials presumed to be related to their business.
- Trailers longer than 12 feet in length or wider than 6 feet.
- Use of dump trailers/trucks—must hand unload.

**PROHIBITED WASTE:**
- Waste from an unimproved property
- Electronic waste (TVs, computers, etc.)
- Tires larger than 22”
- Propane tanks larger than 80 lb. capacity
- Explosives and firearms
- Leaking or unsealed containers or containers larger than 5 gallons
- Combustion engines (except fluid drained residential mower engines)
- Medical waste/"Red Bag" waste such as bandages
- Food, fruit and other rotting or odorous materials
- Land clearing debris from vacant lots
- Yard trimmings in plastic bags (must open bag and dump waste)
- Junk cars, boats, tractors, trailers
- Reroofing debris
- 55 gallon drums (containing liquid)

**Proof of County Residency REQUIRED.** A valid form of identification to include name, photo, and local address. Photo identification from other areas must be accompanied by a current utility bill, or some document showing residence at a Charlotte County residential address. A P.O. Box address will not be accepted as proof of residency.

**Failure to provide proof of residency will result in denied access and use of the facility.**

**Contact Waste Management for:**
- E-waste—four per fiscal year (Oct-Sept)
- Up to two bulk pick-ups, not to exceed 20 cubic yards total per fiscal year (Oct–Sept)
- Collection of up to four appliances (white goods) per fiscal year (Oct-Sept)
- Contact Waste Management at 941.629.1106 (Port Charlotte) or 941.697.0012 (Englewood)