

Safe Medication Disposal Sites: Monterey County

Unsecured storage of medication in homes has contributed to the national epidemic of prescription drug abuse and misuse. To combat this, community members can now dispose of unwanted controlled and non-controlled prescription drugs in two new bins at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.



Safe Medication Disposal Sites at Community Hospital

Community Hospital Pharmacy

No sharps, controlled substances OK
(Controlled substances, 9 a.m.–6 p.m.)
23625 Holman Highway, Monterey
(831) 624-5311

Community Hospital Front Lobby

Sharps OK (red bin), no controlled substances (white bin)
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(831) 624-5311

Other Monterey County medication disposal sites:

Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department

8 a.m.–5 p.m., seven days a week
No sharps or liquids, controlled substances OK
SE corner of Junipero and 4th St., Carmel
(831) 624-6403

Pebble Beach Community Service District

No controlled substances, sharps OK
3101 Forest Lake Rd., Pebble Beach
(831) 675-5010

Central Avenue Pharmacy

No sharps, controlled substances OK
133 15th St., Pacific Grove | (831) 373-1225

Pacific Grove Police Department

7 a.m.–11 p.m., seven days a week
No sharps, controlled substances OK
580 Pine Ave., Pacific Grove | (831) 648-3143

Monterey Police Department

No sharps, controlled substances OK
351 Madison St., Monterey | (831) 646-3830

Del Rey Oaks Police Department

No sharps, controlled substances OK
650 Canyon Del Rey Blvd., Del Rey Oaks
(831) 394-9333

MRWMD

10 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon–Fri
No controlled substances, OTC meds ONLY
14201 Del Monte Blvd., Marina
(831) 384-5313

Marina Police Department

10 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon–Fri
No sharps, controlled substances OK
211 Hillcrest Ave., Marina | (831) 884-1267

Walgreens Marina

8 a.m.–9 p.m., Mon–Fri, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sat
No controlled substances
226 Reservation Rd., Marina | (831) 384-4700

Castroville Branch Library

11 a.m.–7 p.m., Tues–Thur, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Fri–Sat
No controlled substances
11160 Speegle St., Castroville | (831) 769-8724

Seaside Police Department

7 a.m.–7 p.m., Mon–Sat
Controlled substances OK
440 Harcourt Ave., Seaside | (831) 899-6748

Walgreens Seaside

No sharps, controlled substances OK
1055 Fremont Blvd., Seaside | (831) 393-9231

Alisal Pharmacy

Controlled substances OK, sharps OK
323 N. Sanborn Rd., Salinas | (831) 424-7321

AllCare Pharmacy

Controlled substances OK, sharps OK
331 Main St., Salinas | (831) 424-8053

CVS Pharmacy

No sharps, controlled substances OK
1140 S. Main St., Salinas | (831) 422-8511

Star Pharmacy

No sharps, controlled substances OK
1273 S Main St., Salinas | (831) 621-5558

Valley Health Associates

6:30 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Fri
No controlled substances
427 Pajaro St., Suite 4, Salinas | (831) 424-6655

Gonzales Police Department

8 a.m.–5 p.m., Mon–Fri
No sharps or liquids, controlled substances OK
147 Fourth St., Gonzales | (831) 675-5010

King City Police Department

9 a.m.–5 p.m., Mon–Fri
No sharps, controlled substances OK
415 Bassett St., King City | (831) 385-4848

Greenfield Police Department

8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Mon–Fri
No sharps, controlled substances OK
599 El Camino Real, Greenfield
(831) 674-5111

The hours for medication disposal are the operating hours of the business, unless otherwise specified. Medications put into these bins are disposed of per Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommendations to decrease negative environmental and health impacts.