

Instructions for Use

Metal Sharps Safes

Includes Stainless Steel & Yellow Models



When any person is responsible for the management and / or disposal of contaminated waste, it is recommended they comply with Occupational Health & Safety Guidelines for the safe handling of Sharps.

IDC Medical Metal Sharps Safes are supplied with a matching Sharps Container already installed in the Safe. Contaminated waste (needles/syringes) are safely disposed of by depositing directly into the circular chute at the top of the Security Safe.

Fitting A Sharps Container Into The Metal Sharps Safes

- 1 Safe opens with key provided. Front and Side Panels of the Steel Safe hinge to open.
- 2 Place the Sharps Container inside the Metal Sharps Safe with the biohazard label on the sharps container facing forward.

Installing the Sharps Container in this way makes sure that the Container is positioned in the Metal Sharps Safes directly under the deposit chute, after the Metal Sharps Safes is locked and ready for use.

If the Sharps Container is installed correctly, needles/syringes will deposit successfully into the Sharps Container each time.

- 3 The Metal Sharps Safe is now ready to use and must be locked. Hinge the front and side panels back to the closed position and lock the Safe.

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When The Sharps Container Is Full

- 1 Unlock the Metal Sharps Safe and hinge open the front/side panels.
- 2 Make sure the Sharps Container is safe to remove.
- 3 Permanently seal the Sharps Container by FIRMLY pressing the Final Closure into the Lid aperture (in the top of the Sharps container).
- 4 The Sharps Container is now LOCKED and ready for safe transport to the place of final disposal.
- 5 An empty replacement Sharps Container must now be installed in the Metal Sharps Safe.

Safety Guidelines when Handling Sharps Containers

- Do not reach into the Container with your hand or in any other way (risk of injury)
- Do not push any objects forcefully into the Container
- Do not attempt to press the sides of a filled Container together from the outside in any way.
- Before disposing of the Container, make sure, that the Lid/Final Closure is closed tightly into the Container Lid opening
- Scalpels should be disposed of with extra care.
- If too much force is used while inserting objects or filling the Container, there is the danger of tilting and/or damaging the Container wall or the bottom of the Container.
- Do not pour fluids into the Container.
- To avoid the Container accidentally tripping over, secure the Container by placing it into the recommended Bracket.
- Follow the operating instructions and pay attention to the 'Biohazard Label' on the Container.
- Do not shake the Container. Do not drop the Container.
- Before closing the Container, make sure there are no objects protruding out. If that is the case remove them.
- Always close the container by hand, never use excessive force.
- Never drop hazardous material transversely into the Container. Always deposit waste vertically.
- After FINAL CLOSURE do not press the Container against your own body (e.g. chest)
- Always ensure the operating instructions and safety guidelines are followed
- **Sharp and pointed objects do not belong in plastic bags or other unsuitable containers.**

Please remember:

Never force an article into a Sharps Container.

Never deposit syringes with the needle pointing upwards.