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Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Program

Do you have old medications that you need to dispose of? If so, help prevent drug abuse, overdose and keep our water supply clean by participating in a Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Program. This collection is being offered as part of Crime Prevention Day.

Residents may bring unwanted drugs and medications to this program free of charge.

October 21, 2017

10am – 3pm
Crime Prevention Day
Manitowoc County Expo –
Merchants Building
4921 Expo Drive
Manitowoc, WI

Acceptable Items:

- Prescription Medications
- Over the Counter Drugs
- Veterinary Medications
- Controlled Substances
- Supplements

YES



NO



Guidelines:

- Place pills in a “ziplock” style bag that is quart size or less. Liquids, creams, powders, and medical inhalers can stay in their original container with caps tightened.
- Pill bottles and boxes are NOT accepted. Cross out your personal information and dispose or recycle them at home.
- Needles, sharps, lancets, mercury devices, chemical waste, electronic glucose monitors, non-medical inhalers, and personal care products like shampoo and cosmetics will NOT be accepted.
- Do NOT bring medications to drug disposal events before or after the listed times.
- Households only. Businesses should call 920-683-4333 for disposal information.
- Practice safe storage by keeping your medications in a secured location.
- Practice reduction by consulting with your physician about your medication needs.
- Never share your prescriptions with another person.

MERCURY THERMOMETER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

As part of the Crime Prevention Day Drug Collection A mercury thermometer exchange will be available. Bring your mercury thermometer separately, in a sealed, cushioned container. Receive one digital fever thermometer per household while supplies last.

For information on this or other programs call the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or visit www.co.manitowoc.wi.us/recyclingcenter. Sponsored by the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit and the Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Collaborative.