

Disposing of Medications in Boone County



Boone County now has several options for the disposal of prescription, over-the-counter and pet medications. Safe and proper disposal of medications is important for our environment, for the safety of the children in our homes, and to keep medications from those with the potential for abuse.

The Boone Police Department and the Boone County Sheriff's Office both have permanent drug drop off boxes in their lobbies. The Police Department's box is accessible from 8 am – 5 pm, Monday through Friday. The Sheriff's Office's box (located at the top of the stairs/elevator) is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. These sites can accept all medications, *including* controlled substances (medications such as pain medication - Oxycodone for example, and stimulant medication – Ritalin for example). Neither box can accept aerosol cans, lotions, thermometers (the old silver mercury type), hydrogen peroxide or needles (sharps). Disposal is confidential so there is no need to remove or cross out labels unless you want to do so.

Also, there are six pharmacies in Boone County that participate in the Iowa Pharmacy Association's TakeAway Program. They will accept any medications *except* controlled substances. These locations are Boone Medical Associates Pharmacy, Clinic Pharmacy, Hy-Vee Pharmacy, Walgreens Pharmacy, and the Boone and Madrid Medicap Pharmacies.

Additionally, On Sept 27th Boone County will again participate in the National Drug Enforcement Association Take Back Day. Drop off sites will be at the Boone, Ogden and Madrid Police Department from 10 am until noon. All medications, *including* controlled substances, are accepted at this event. Aerosol cans, lotions, thermometers, hydrogen peroxide or needles (sharps) are not accepted.

Disposal of needles (sharps) and thermometers (the old silver mercury type) – The Boone County Landfill accepts these items. Call 433-0592 for specific details or to make an appointment.

Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet!

DRUG DROP OFF

FREE, CONVENIENT, CONFIDENTIAL DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED MEDICATIONS

Saturday, September 27th
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Drop off sites:

Boone Police Department
Madrid Police Department
Ogden Police Department

Accepted:

Unused or expired prescriptions

Including pills, gels, liquids & patches

Expired over-the-counter medications

Vitamins, supplements

Unused or expired pet medications

***Mark out any identifying information on prescription labels**

Sponsored By:

Boone County Project SAFE

Boone County Sheriff's Office

Boone County Board of Supervisors

Drug Enforcement Administration

Not Accepted:

Needles/Syringes/Sharps

Industrial waste

Bloody or Infectious waste

Thermometers

Boone Police Department

Boone County Landfill

Madrid Police Department

Ogden Police Department