



# Public Works Department: Recycling Center

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## Manitowoc County Drug Disposal – Crime Prevention Day

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 the Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Program.

Residents may bring unwanted drugs and medications to this program free of charge. Please review our guidelines for updates before coming to an event or drop box.

### October 20, 2018

10am – 2pm  
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



### Guidelines:

- Place pills in a “ziplock” style bag that is quart size or less. It is acceptable to mix pills together in the bag. Liquids, cremes, 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 cosmetics and shampoo will NOT be accepted.

- Do NOT bring medications to drug disposal events before or after the listed times.
- If you cannot make the event then bring your unwanted medications to a Drug Drop Box located at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office, City of Manitowoc Police Department or City of Two Rivers Police Department. Make sure to follow these guidelines.
- 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.

For information on this or other programs call the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or visit [Manitowoccounty.com/recyclingcenter](http://Manitowoccounty.com/recyclingcenter)

#### **MERCURY THERMOMETER EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

*As part of the Crime Prevention Day Drug Collection you can bring your mercury fever thermometers and receive a complimentary digital thermometer. All household mercury and mercury containing devices less than 7" by 12" will be accepted; however, only household thermometers are eligible for the exchange program. The limit is one digital thermometer per household while supplies last.*

*Be sure to transport mercury in a sealed, cushioned container and keep separate from any medications you are dropping off.*