## Do not Flush Medicines

This practice can harm the beneficial bacteria that break down waste in septic systems wastewater treatment and plants. municipal Also. wastewater treatment facilities are not designed to remove all ingredients from the the medicines in the treatment process. Untreated or partially treated pharmaceuticals are then released into nearby lakes, rivers or groundwater.





Resources: <u>www.MinnesotaHelp.info</u>

Minnesota Pollution Control: www.pca.state.mn.us

Drug Enforcement Administration: <u>www.DEA.gov</u>



## Southwest Regional Solid Waste Commission

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Find out how to properly dispose of Pharmaceutical Waste



Contact your Local Law Enforcement Center for Disposal Information

> or Senior LinkAge Line 1-800-333-2433

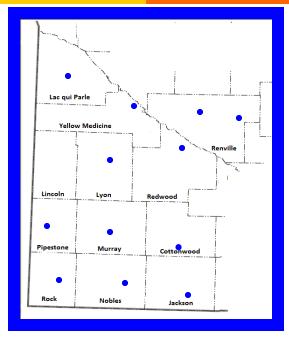
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## What is Pharmaceutical Waste

Pharmaceutical Waste includes expired and unused prescription and over - the - counter medications.

Pharmaceutical Waste comprise a diverse collection of thousands of chemical substances, including prescription, over - the - counter therapeutic drugs, and veterinary drugs. Studies have shown that pharmaceuticals are present in our nation's water bodies.

It is important to dispose of Pharmaceutical Waste correctly.



Approved Disposal Locations are at the following Law Enforcement Centers

Cottonwood County: 902 5th Ave, Windom; Availability: 24/7. (507) 831-1376.

Jackson County: 400 Sherman St, Jackson; Availability: 24/7. (507) 847-4420.

Lac qui Parle: 600 W 6th St, Madison; Availability: 24/7 (320) 598-3187.

**Lincoln County:** no disposal location at this time.

Lyon County: 611 W Main St, Marshall; Availability: 24/7. (507) 537-7666.

<u>Murray County</u>: 2500 28th St, Slayton; Availability: 24/7. (507) 836-6168.

Nobles County: 1530 Airport Road, Ste 100 Worthington; Availability: 24/7. (507) 295-5400.

**Pipestone County:** 416 S Hiawatha Ave, Pipestone; Availability: 24/7. (507) 825-6700.

Redwood County: 303 W 3rd St, Redwood Falls; Availability: 24/7 (507) 637-4036.

<u>**Renville County</u>**: 105 S 5th St, Ste 210, Olivia; Availability: 24/7. (320) 523-1161.</u>

Buffalo Lake Police Department: 301 N Main St; Availability: 2 PM to 2 AM M-Sat.(320) 833-2101.

**<u>Rock County</u>**: 1000 North Blue Mound Ave, Luverne; Availability: 24/7. (507) 283-5000.

Yellow Medicine County: 930 4th St, Ste 1, Granite Falls; Availability: M-F 8am to 4pm. (320) 564-2130.