

Medicine

Medicine, Medications, Prescriptions

Village of Pinehurst
Public Services

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Hazardous Household Waste

Green Guidelines

Do **NOT** dispose of pills or medicines in drains or toilets because they contain compounds that accumulate in groundwater and are not eliminated during normal waste water treatment. Disposal in landfills will eventually result in groundwater pollution. Doctors recommend reducing the size of prescriptions to an amount that will be used within a month or so.

How to Dispose of Medicines

- Periodically, the Moore County Sheriff's Office hosts a medication collection day. They can be reached at 947-2931 to find out when the next event is scheduled. Also, there is a permanent, secure bin at the Moore County Sheriff's office for disposing of expired or unused drugs, pills or other medications – prescribed or otherwise.
- At present, we know of no area pharmacies that accept unused and expired medications from consumers for safe disposal. This may change, so if you find an area pharmacy that will safely dispose of your unneeded medications please use the Contact Us function below so that we can propose adding them to our roster of Recycling Partners.
- To prevent accidental ingestion of medications, some experts recommend contaminating with distasteful ingredients intended to be put in the trash.
- Disposal in your household trash is permissible at the present time. Do not flush your old medications down the toilet as they dissolve and can contaminate groundwater, rivers, streams, etc.

Municipal & County Operations

Moore County Sheriff's Office (910-947-2931)

101 Courthouse Square, Carthage

Notes: The bin has a list of acceptable and unacceptable items

Hours: Available seven days a week, 24 hours a day

Village of Pinehurst Police Department (910-295-3141)

420 Magnolia Rd., Pinehurst

Notes: The drop box has a list of acceptable and unacceptable items

Hours: Available seven days a week, 24 hours a day (walk in 7 am – 10 pm, buzzed in 10 pm – 7 am)

Contact Us Regarding Recycling

Please tell us whether this information has been useful, and whether it accurately describes the recycling service voluntarily offered by any Pinehurst Recycling Partner you visited. If you have recycling needs that are not yet covered in the index, let us know. [Click here](#) to send a message to the Village of Pinehurst Public Services Department and the Recycling Committee.

Thank you for your interest in recycling!

