

WAC 296-823-18030 Use and handle hypodermic needles and syringes appropriately and safely. You must use hypodermic needles and syringes only for parenteral injection and aspiration of fluids from laboratory animals and diaphragm bottles.

(1) Use only needle-locking syringes or disposable syringe-needle units (when the needle is integral to the syringe) for the injection or aspiration of other potentially infectious materials (OPIM).

(2) Use extreme caution when handling needles and syringes.

(3) The needle must not be bent, sheared, replaced in the sheath or guard, or removed from the syringe after use.

(4) Place the needle and syringe promptly in a puncture-resistant container and autoclave or decontaminate before reuse or disposal.

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