

# How do I get rid of unused medications



## Option 1:

Stop by one of your local medication disposal sites:

### Summit County:

Summit County Sheriff's Office  
*Monday – Friday, 8a-5p*

Dillon Police Department  
*Monday – Friday, 8a-5p*

Prescription Alternatives  
*Monday – Friday, 9a-7p; Saturday, 9a-1p*

### Eagle County:

Town of Vail Police Department  
*Monday – Saturday, 7a-7p*

Avon Police Department  
*Monday – Friday, 8a-5p*

Eagle County Sherriff's Office  
*Monday – Friday, 8a-5p*

### Lake County:

Leadville Police Department  
*Monday – Friday, 8a-5p*

Or use this link to the Colorado take-back list to find a location closest to you:

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/medication-take-back-locations-list>

**Option 2:** If you're unable to get to a take back location, follow the disposal instructions below:

Follow these simple steps to dispose of medicines in the household trash

**MIX**  
Mix medicines (do not crush tablets or capsules) with an unpalatable substance such as dirt, kitty litter, or used coffee grounds;

**PLACE**  
Place the mixture in a container such as a sealed plastic bag;

**THROW**  
Throw the container in your household trash;

**SCRATCH OUT**  
Scratch out all personal information on the prescription label of your empty pill bottle or empty medicine packaging to make it unreadable, then dispose of the container.