KNIFE DROP BIN

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW:

The Knife Drop bin initiative allows members of the public to safely and anonymously dispose of bladed articles.

There are 20 locations across North Yorkshire, find your nearest location by searching: www.northyorkshire.police.uk/knifebins

North Yorkshire Police will regularly empty the knife bin and disposal of the contents

HOW DO I SAFELY DISPOSE OF A KNIFE?



WRAP IT

Wrap the knife in either cardboard or newspaper

SECURE IT

Secure with strong tape and ensure it is sealed to prevent being injured during disposal

BIN IT

Go directly to your nearest knife bin location, carefully place your knife in the hatch marked with arrows and shut once deposited







DO I OWN AN ILLEGAL WEAPON?

Under The Offensive Weapons Act 2019, it is now illegal to possess certain weapons in private places, including your home. This includes the items described below. Please store and dispose of knives safely to reduce the risk of them being used as weapons.

FLICK KNIVES

Also known as 'gravity knife' or 'switch blade'. A knife where the blade opens automatically or is released from the handle, either by gravity or by pressing a button or something else on the knife.



KNUCKLE DUSTERS

A band of metal or other hard material that's worn on one or more fingers, including any weapon that incorporates a knuckleduster.

SHURIKEN

A hard non-flexible plate with three or more sharp radiating points, designed to be thrown.



WEAPONS THAT ARE ILLEGAL TO POSSESS



PUSH DAGGER

A knife where the handle fits within a clenched fist and the blade comes out from between two fingers.

ZOMBIE KNIFE

A curved blade of 50 centimetres or over, based on the straight-line distance from the top of the handle to the tip of the blade.

TELESCOPIC TRUNCHEON

A truncheon that extends automatically by pressing a button, a spring or other device that's in or attached to the handle.