



Waste Segregation Guidelines



REGULATED MEDICAL WASTE	CHEMO & PATH WASTE INCINERATE ONLY	SOLID WASTE (TRASH)	HAZARDOUS WASTE
<div data-bbox="97 436 435 512" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Red Biohazard Container</div> <p>Blood/blood products & Other Potentially Infectious Material - <u>Examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Saturated or grossly soiled disposables, i.e., bloody gauze, dressings, lap pads, OB and surgical peri-pads & gloves ➤ Blood/body fluid in containers, catheters, Dialyzers/tubing with blood or blood products not discarded or flushed i.e., blood sets, suction canisters & drainage sets (Must have absorbent material added to prevent leaking) ➤ Microbiology specimens, used culture plates, tubes, glass bottles of any kind, & devices ➤ Clear Specimen bags with the biohazard symbol ➤ Blood spill clean-up materials <div data-bbox="107 1470 435 1524" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Sharps Containers</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Needles & syringes ➤ Scalpel blades & lancets ➤ Glass pipettes, slides, and tubes ➤ Glass (broken) ➤ Staples & guide wires ➤ Disposable suture sets & biopsy forceps ➤ Electrocautery tips 	<div data-bbox="490 436 824 512" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Red Biohazard Container</div> <p>*Trace-contaminated items generated in the preparation & administration of any antineoplastic/cytotoxic agents - <u>Examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ IV tubing ➤ Empty bags/bottles ➤ Empty drug vials ➤ Spill clean-up materials or kits ➤ Needles & syringes ➤ Gloves ➤ Gowns ➤ Masks ➤ Barriers <div data-bbox="526 1289 756 1535" style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>*Pathological tissues and specimens (both Human & Animal); Placenta from L&D</p> <p>* These RMW materials must be placed in containers that are labeled “Incinerate Only”.</p>	<div data-bbox="860 436 1195 512" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">General Trash Container</div> <p><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paper, plastic wrappers, packaging, & boxes ➤ Unused medical products & supplies ➤ PPE (worn, but not grossly contaminated) ➤ Food products & waste (paper cups & plastic utensils) ➤ Empty IV bags, tubing without needles (with no visible blood) ➤ Empty urine cups, stool containers, Foley bags/tubing, chux, disposable incontinence products ➤ Exam & cleaning gloves (with no visible blood) ➤ Empty collection bottles & bags (non-glass) ➤ Sanitary napkins, tampons (personal) & diapers ➤ Disposable paper drapes, lab coats, paper towels, band aids ➤ Disposable basins, bedpans, urinals (with no visible blood or body fluid) ➤ Empty aerosol pressure cans 	<div data-bbox="1230 436 1531 512" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Hazardous Container</div> <p><u>Examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Outdated/unused chemotherapy drugs (bulk) ➤ Certain pharmaceutical drugs (as identified by the EPA) ➤ Used solvents, stains, paints, & thinner ➤ Chemicals such as formaldehyde & formalin, acetone, toluene, mercury fixatives, alcohol, disinfectants & chemical sterilizing agents ➤ Drums or other containers with "hazardous" label ➤ Radioactive material <div data-bbox="1321 1310 1419 1402" style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Universal Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mercury-filled devices, batteries, thermometers, & blood pressure cuffs & gauges ➤ Fluorescent Light Bulbs ➤ Cathode-ray tube monitors <p>*Contact your Hospital Safety Manager for pick-up and disposal in special container in secured area.</p>