



WASTE SEPARATION CATEGORY GUIDELINES



MEDICAL WASTE BIOHAZARD

- Blood, blood products
- Saturated or soiled disposable items
- Used PPE
- Empty medication containers
- Gauze, dressings
- IV bags & tubing
- Blood—body fluid spill clean-up materials
- Suction canisters
- Contaminated waste from isolation patients
- Anything that may be perceived as contaminated

SHARPS CONTAINERS BROKEN GLASS

- Needles & syringes
- Blades & lancets
- Razors & scalpels
- Broken glass
- Ampules & vials
- Glass pipettes & tubes
- Microscope slides
- Staples & wires
- Disposable suture sets
- Electrocautery tips
- Other contaminated sharp items & objects
- Anything that may pose a risk of puncturing or cutting
- Non Chemotherapy

CHEMOTHERAPY PATHOLOGICAL

- Trace contaminated items generated in the preparation & administration of antineoplastic / cytotoxic drugs
- Used Chemo PPE
- Barriers
- IV bags & tubing
- Empty bags/bottles
- Empty drug vials
- Spill clean-up materials
- HEPA filters
- Large tissue specimens

REQUIRES SPECIAL
DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

RADIOACTIVE CHEMICAL

- General Chemicals
- Chemotherapy, cytotoxic waste
- Radioactive waste
- Certain drugs and other pharmaceuticals
- Mercury-filled devices, batteries, blood pressure cuffs & gauges, thermometers
- Used solvents, stains, paints, & thinners
- Drums or containers labeled "Hazardous" or R.C.R.A. waste

REQUIRES SPECIAL
DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

GARBAGE / TRASH PAPER / E-WASTE

- Paper & plastic boxes, plastic bottles, wrappers, packaging, computer paper, office type waste
- Household trash & regular garbage
- Food products & waste (utensils, cans, plates)
- Non-mercury batteries
- Empty aerosol cans
- Cell phones, monitors, computers, printers, hard drives, audio / video
- Other electronic equipment

Do you have special waste questions? Contact us for more information.

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