

## **Biohazardous and Medical Waste Disposal Guidelines**

IMPORTANT: Label all biohazardous and medical waste with the information below.

The international biohazard symbol, the word "Biohazard," and your location's UCSD identification information:

Campus locations: University of California, San Diego 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92093 (858) 534-3660 or 534-4357

Building name and room number where waste was generated

Medical Center locations: UCSD Medical Center 200 West Arbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92103 (619) 543-6222

Building name and room number where waste was generated

]	ITEMS TO BE DISPOSED	PACKAGING and DISPOSAL METHOD
	Hypodermic needles with or without attached: Syringes (barrels and plungers) Tubing Blades (scalpels, razors)  Do not use needle clippers!	RED sharps container   Autoclave or biowaste vendor
325	Pipettes Pipette tips Pasteur pipettes Broken glass  Non-contaminated  Any biohazardous contamination  Any chemical and biohazardous contamination  Any radioactive and biohazardous contamination	→ Locked dumpster or trash compactor  RED → bag liners  Container  Call EH&S  (858) 534-2753   Call EH&S  (858) 534-2753
	Non-contaminated paper wastes and gloves	Bag → Locked dumpster or trash compactor
12	Animal carcasses and body parts  Non-infectious Infectious Radioactive	Bag → Vivarium freezer  RED bag → Vivarium biohazard freezer  CLEAR bag → Vivarium radioactive freezer
	All human blood, animal blood, blood elements, bodily fluids, and liquid and semi- liquid materials, whether known or suspected infectious	Dilute with bleach (final conc. = 10% bleach) or autoclave (do not add bleach if autoclaving)
	Non-contaminated plastic syringes (no needles!), cultures, petri dishes, other culture flasks, and trace chemotherapy supplies  Contaminated plastic syringes (no needles!), cultures, petri dishes, and other culture flasks	Bag → Locked dumpster or trash compactor  RED bag → Autoclave or biowaste vendor
	Biohazardous liquids with chemicals (i.e., cycloheximide, cyanides) Biohazardous liquids with radioactives	Call EH&S (858) 534-2753
	All other items contaminated with biohazardous materials, including paper towels, Kim Wipes, bench paper	RED bag → Autoclave or biowaste vendor

Bagged waste is always double-bagged, whether clear or RED bags are required.

Anything RED goes to autoclave or licensed biohazardous waste vendor. Ask your lab manager for instructions. Any chemical or radioactive contamination, call EH&S (858) 534-2753. For detailed information on How to Package and Dispose of Biohazardous and Medical Waste, see http://blink.ucsd.edu/go/biowaste.

For all other conditions not listed here, call (858) 534-2753.

Exemptions to these guidelines may be granted on a case-by-case basis.

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