

Southern Health-Sante Sud

Waste Management Guide

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BIOHAZARD BIORISOURD	Sharps Dispose at point of use any materials that can puncture, penetrate or cut skin.	Examples: • Needles • Blades • Razors • Surgical wires • Lancets • Exposed IV spikes • Broken glass • Ampules
BIO MAZARD	Blood & Body Fluids (Ward waste) Excludes urine & feces. Bloody items must go in a yellow bag or yellow container.	 Examples: Wet waste from surgical processes (e.g. very bloody sponges that you can wring blood from) Disposable suction canisters (after solidifier is applied) Chest tube system
REALBORNESS AND	Tissue (Anatomical waste) Must go into red bag or container.	Examples: • Placenta • Amputations • Tissue
HIGHISAUE BIOHISAUE	Cytotoxic Waste Supplies used in the preparation and administration of cytotoxic and hazardous drugs, along with bodily fluids 48 hours after treatment. If the container does not have a cytotoxic sticker one must be applied.	Examples: PPE Dressings Continuous bladder irrigation bags IV bags and tubing
	Pharmaceutical Pharmaceutical products.	Examples: • Pills • Injectable medication • Oral Liquids • Inhalers • Vials which contain medication • Empty containers (pill bottle, multi-dose pouches, inhalers with client identifiers, etc.)
	Narcotics/Controlled Substances When full dispose of in Rx container	Examples: Oral Liquids Injectables removed from ampoules and vials Patches
Note the second s	Recyclable Waste Any recyclable products.	Examples: • Paper, newspaper, magazines • Cardboard, boxboard (cereal boxes) • Plastics #1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 • Glass – not broken • Milk containers and juice boxes • Aluminum • Tin
	General Waste Includes all waste that is not a threat to people or the environment and does not fall under the above- mentioned categories.	Examples: • Soiled dressings and sponges (not dripping in blood) • Waste from isolation rooms (except Viral Hemorrhagic Fever) • Lavage tubes • Diapers and disposable pads • Casts • Syringes without needles • IV Bags with spike/tubing intact (empty or with residual fluid) • Empty medication vials • Blood transfusion bags with spike/tubing intact (empty or with residual blood). • Fecal Management System • Continuous bladder irrigation bags • Dialysis tubing and filter
For more information: Environmental Services or Physical Plant		
* Prevent a splashDo not cut IV tubing *		