

EXAMPLES OF WASTE

- Blood and all OPIM (Other Potentially Infectious Materials)
- Blood IV tubing/bags/hemovacs/pleuravacs
- Contaminated dressings and PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)
- Contaminated waste from isolation patients
- Suction canisters or liners with bloody fluid or OPIM
- Cultures or stocks
- Locked disposable sharps containers

- All sharps (except those contaminated with chemo)
- Examples: needles, broken glass, vials, broken ampoules, blades, scalpels, razors, pins, clips, staples, carpules, test tubes, blood tubes, etc
- All empty syringes with attached needles, empty tubaxes, empty carpjects
- Trocars, introducers, guide wires, sharps from procedures, specimen devices in endoscopy, etc

- All biopsy material, human tissues, and anatomical parts that originate from surgical, obstetrical, autopsy or laboratory procedures
- Containers must be labeled "Pathological Waste" and should be segregated from other red bag/container waste
- Label as "Incineration Only"

- General trash and solid waste
- Food
- Trash/wrappers
- Non-contaminated dressings
- Chux/underpads
- Empty foley bags & other drainage bags
- Disposable patient items
- Sanitary napkins

WASTE CLASSIFICATION

BIOHAZARDOUS WASTE

Red Bags, Red Containers, Bags/Containers with Biohazard Symbols



SHARPS WASTE

Red Sharps Containers Marked with Biohazard Symbol



PATHOLOGICAL WASTE

Grey Container Marked as Pathological Waste



REGULAR WASTE

Clear or Black Bags

