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Biohazardous Waste Disposal

All biohazardous waste **must** be disposed of in accordance with University of Hawai'i (UH), state and federal guidelines and regulations. Refer to the ***UH Biosafety Biohazardous Waste Guidelines*** for a complete description of handling various types of biohazardous waste generated with the UH system.

- Biohazardous laboratory waste must be collected in an approved biohazardous red bag with the biohazard symbol clearly indicated on the bag.
- While in the laboratory, solid waste biohazard bags must be kept in a sturdy, covered, leak-proof container with lid prior to processing.
- Biohazard laboratory waste must be decontaminated prior to leaving the laboratory or building and entering the regular trash stream by an approved method such as autoclaving and chemical disinfection.
- Decontamination of biohazard laboratory waste must be done by properly trained laboratory research personnel, and must be removed from the area by the laboratory research personnel for disposal, shipment, or destruction in accordance with applicable regulations.
- Metal sharps waste must be collected in Red Biohazard "Sharps" containers and removed by laboratory research personnel in accordance with the ***UH Biosafety Biohazardous Waste Guidelines***.
- Biohazardous red bags or Red Biohazard "Sharps" containers must not be disposed into the regular building trash dumpsters or trash bins.