

Biological Sharps Segregation and Disposal

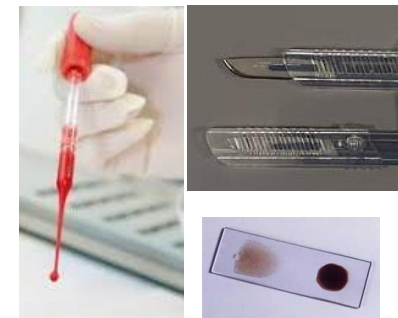
Waste Category

Examples

Treatment/Disposal

Container

Sharps



Items sharp enough to puncture skin

- Needles
- Syringes with or w/o needles
- Empty syringes used with pharmaceuticals
- Lancets
- Scalpels
- I.V. Lines w needles

Items sharp enough to puncture skin and are **contaminated** with potentially infectious materials

- Pasteur Pipettes
- Slides
- Broken glassware

SHARPS
Sharps containers must be permanently closed and disposed of through the EHS when they are:

- 3/4 full, or
- Within 90 days of first use.

Date of first use: _____
Date of disposal: _____
(i.e. "date of first use" + 90 days)

Room#/Building: _____
Tag completed by: _____

NOTE: If sharps contain chemical agents, attach **Hazardous Waste Pickup Tag**.

For disposal, place a Hazardous Waste Pickup Request at the Department Environmental Health and Safety website.
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Collect and store in approved sharps containers (can be purchased at University Stores).

- Affix label with month/date/year upon first use
- Submit for EHS Waste Pickup when $\frac{3}{4}$ full or within 18 months of first use
- Vet clinic, follow your site specific disposal protocols

