

### **Biological Waste Disposal**





# Biohazard Bins Do not overfill bins!

Max weight = 35 to 40 lbs.

- Waste should be stored, transported and autoclaved in a proper bag placed into a leak-proof, secondary container (labeled garbage can, autoclavable plastic bin, or stainless steel pot)
- Indicator tape or steam indicator bags must be used for autoclavable materials. You can order these from Fisher Scientific (800) 776-7000.
- After waste is treated, place it into red bins, tie the liner bag and close the lid when the bin is full.

## **SHARPS**

Place containers close to where sharps are used. Don't overfill containers. **NEVER RECAP NEEDLES!** 

#### SHARPS include:

- Needles and syringes
- Scalpels and lancets
- Razor and microtome blades
- IV tubing with needles attached.
- Contaminated glass Pasteur pipettes
- Any other sharp, metal lab waste that could puncture a bag.



#### Uncontaminated/decontaminated lab glass and plastic

Treat contaminated glass/plastic with appropriate disinfectant, or autoclave, then dispose of these materials in sturdy cardboard boxes. Tape boxes closed and label "glass waste" for collection by custodial staff. **DO NOT** dispose sharps, biohazards, or chemicals in cardboard boxes or in the regular trash!

To request containers or waste pick-ups:

http://www.oehs.wayne.edu/forms/biowaste-pickup.php