

# BIOMEDICAL WASTE SEGREGATION

Non-Anatomical Waste (Sterilization)	Sharps Waste (Sterilization)	Cytotoxic Waste (Incineration)	Garbage
<p>Any items <i>saturated with, dripping with, or containing blood or body fluids.</i></p>  <p><b>Some saturated or dripping items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Pads</li> <li>✓ Sponges</li> <li>✓ Bandages</li> <li>✓ Gauze</li> </ul> <p><b>Some items containing blood/body fluids:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ IV bags and tubing</li> <li>✓ Suction liners</li> <li>✓ Fluid drainage containers</li> <li>✓ Pleurevac and Hemovac units</li> <li>✓ Plastic tubing</li> </ul> <p><b>Does NOT include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Hair, teeth, nails</li> <li>✗ Diapers, urine or feces, unless visibly contaminated with blood</li> </ul> 	<p>Items capable of <i>cutting or puncturing the skin and that have come into contact with blood, body fluids or microorganisms.</i></p>  <p><b>EXAMPLES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ All needles and devices containing needles or spikes</li> <li>✓ Broken medical glassware</li> <li>✓ Contaminated scalpel blades, scissors, razors</li> <li>✓ Lancets</li> <li>✓ Full sharps containers</li> </ul> <p><b>Does NOT include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Cytotoxic sharps</li> </ul> 	<p>Waste that has come into contact with Cytotoxic agents.</p>  <p><b>EXAMPLES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ IV bags and tubing</li> <li>✓ Urine bags and diapers</li> <li>✓ Gloves and masks</li> <li>✓ Pads, sponges, bandages and gauze</li> <li>✓ Disposable surgical gowns and drapes</li> <li>✓ Nominally empty vials, ampoules &amp; syringes</li> </ul> <p><b>Does NOT include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Any unused or partially used Cytotoxic drugs —these should be treated as Cytotoxic Pharmaceutical Waste</li> </ul> <p>✓ Any Cytotoxic sharps items</p>  	<p>Items <i>NOT saturated with, dripping with, or containing blood or body fluids.</i></p>  <p><b>EXAMPLES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Empty IV bags and tubing</li> <li>✓ Uncontaminated gloves and masks</li> <li>✓ General isolation room waste</li> <li>✓ Soiled dressings, pads, sponges and gauze</li> <li>✓ Feminine hygiene products</li> <li>✓ Diapers, urine, feces</li> <li>✓ Empty medical waste containers</li> <li>✓ Disposable surgical gowns and drapes</li> <li>✓ Teeth, hair, nails</li> <li>✓ Syringes without needles</li> <li>✓ Catheters</li> <li>✓ Lab slides with fixed tissue</li> <li>✓ Coffee cups</li> </ul> 