

CONTAINERS FOR LAB WASTE

CONTAINER A : SQUARE - 12" WIDE X 12" DEEP X 27" HIGH

For Non-Recyclable Waste Lab Glass and Plastic, e.g. Plate Glass, Pyrex, Light Bulbs, Broken (empty) Chemical Containers; Sharps from Non-Culture Labs, e.g. Pipettes, Needles, Syringes, Slides, Cover Slips, Blades, Other Sharps- This cardboard box is placed on the floor and can be kept in a corridor or lab and will be removed by the janitor as needed. A new box will be placed by the janitor.

CONTAINER B : ROUND - 18" DIAMETER X 22" HIGH (20 GAL. CAPACITY)

For Recyclable Chemical Bottles and Plastic Containers - This 20 gallon rubber container has a lid with a slot cut out to accept bottles or other containers. Everything in this container will be recycled. *All containers must be triple rinsed and completely free of residue with lids and caps removed.* Janitor will empty when container is full.

CONTAINER C : REGULAR TRASH CONTAINER

For Regular Trash – Lab chooses the size(s) of container to meet its needs. These containers are made of rubber and provided with a plastic liner. Containers can be kept in the lab at desk or work area for disposal of regular trash. Janitor will remove the waste on a daily basis and replace the trash liner as necessary.

FOR LABS USING BIOLOGICAL CULTURES

CONTAINER D : SHARPS BOX - (VARIOUS SIZES AND SHAPES OF COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE PLASTIC CONTAINERS)

For All Sharps - For benchtop or floor use (depending on the size and need). These plastic sharps boxes are available through lab supply sources (or Molecular Biology stock room) and are to be the receptacle for all sharps used in association with biological culture work, e.g. glass pipettes, needles, syringes, blades, slides, coverslips. When full, **Container D** is sealed by lab occupants and placed inside the standard medical waste box, **Container E**, for disposal (when full) by Building Services personnel.

CONTAINER E: (STANDARD MEDICAL WASTE BOX WITH RED BAG LINER) - RECTANGULAR – 17" WIDE x 19" DEEP x 20" HIGH"

For Sharps Boxes and other Medical Waste - This cardboard box is generally placed on the floor. Filled sharps boxes, **Containers D**, are placed in this box and it can also be used for other medical waste, e.g. cultured stocks, plates and other disposables associated with culture work. It is the responsibility of each lab to monitor the medical waste box and to seal the container when full. A janitor will remove the box upon request, or it can be placed in the corridor by lab occupants for pick up by Building Services staff. Weight limit for these boxes is 40 pounds.