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# The Waste-Paper

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## Disposal of Silica Gels

### Grossly Contaminated

Silica gel, molecular sieves and dessicants that are grossly contaminated with solvents must be disposed as hazardous waste. To dispose as hazardous waste, place the material in a bag or container and dispose during the regular hazardous waste pickups.

If you generate large quantities of this material, EHS can supply 20-gallon fiberboard collection containers at no cost. When using these or any other large container, please adhere to the following procedure:

Label the drum with the yellow hazardous waste sticker as soon as you begin using it.

Use only the liner provided with the drum. Red-colored or Biohazard bags are NOT acceptable.

Do not fill the drum more than 3/4 of the drum's capacity.

Bring the 3/4 full drum to the **regular hazardous waste pickup**. Since the drum is heavy, it is best to use a dolly or hand truck, which should be available in the receiving room of your building.

Contact Joan Hutzly at 258-6251 or [hutzly@princeton.edu](mailto:hutzly@princeton.edu) for replacement drums.

### Not Grossly Contaminated

If the material is not grossly contaminated, dispose if the material in regular laboratory trash. In order to avoid dispersion, please place the material in a bag or container before placing it in the trash receptacle. Please do not label the container "Waste Silica Gel" or similar wording, as this may be confused with hazardous waste. Instead, label it "non-hazardous silica gel" or similar wording.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Elwood at 258-6271 or [selwood@princeton.edu](mailto:selwood@princeton.edu).

## Available Waste Posters

EHS provides two different posters, [Waste Instructions](#) and [Waste Streams](#), upon request.

### Waste Instructions Poster

The Waste Instructions Poster provides a summary of the hazardous waste packaging, storage and disposal procedures and has a pouch to hold chemical waste stickers. Contact [Joan Hutzly](#) at 258-6251 to request a poster. Please indicate your department.

### Waste Streams Poster

The Waste Streams poster includes a table showing how to dispose of different types of lab trash, including pipettes, culture stocks, Pyrex, etc.

A laminated poster is available upon request to Don Robasser at 258-6271 or [robasser@princeton.edu](mailto:robasser@princeton.edu). The pdf versions are available for download at:

#### *Molecular Biology Poster*

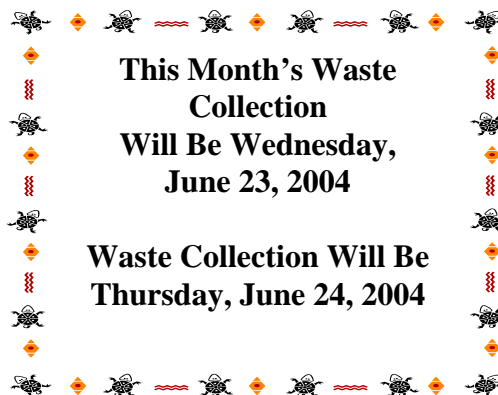
<http://web.princeton.edu/sites/ehs/chemwaste/MBwastestreams.pdf>

#### *Poster for Other Departments*

<http://web.princeton.edu/sites/ehs/chemwaste/wastestreams-all.pdf>

#### *Description of Containers*

<http://web.princeton.edu/sites/ehs/chemwaste/ChemLabWstCont.pdf>



## Pick-Up Locations

Waste Pickups take place at six Main Campus locations:

### Lewis Thomas Laboratory loading dock

for wastes from Lewis Thomas Lab, Guyot, Moffett, Schultz, and other contiguous areas

- collection room open the day before the pickup (Wednesday from 12:00 - 4:30 pm) and Thursday 8:00 to 9:00 am
- coordinators: [Michael Fredericks](#) (8-1351) and [Mary Zikos](#) (x8-4095)

### Engineering School (room 7)

for E-Quad and Bowen

- collection room open the day before the pickup from 2:00 - 3:00 PM
- coordinators: [Joe Laskow](#) (8-4739) and [Joe Palmer](#)

### Frick loading dock

for Frick, Hoyt, Green and 185 Nassau

- collection room open the day before the pickup from 1:00 - 2:00 PM
- coordinator: [Kevin Wilkes](#) (x8-3920)

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### Jadwin Hall room 124

for Physics only,

- wastes may be placed in the room the day prior to pickup contact [Joe Horvath](#) (x8-4364)

**Cogen Plant** - cogen and chilled water plant waste only

**MacMillan Building** - maintenance wastes only

Specific arrangements for getting material to the pickup site are the responsibility of the individual departments. Refer questions of this nature to your Department Safety Manager or Chemical Hygiene Officer. Generally, wastes must be at the pickup site by 9 A.M. the day of the pickup to be included. See [Storage of Chemical Waste](#) for more information.

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