
The Waste-Paper

“Waste is a terrible thing to mind”

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Jim's Pet Peeves: Label and Seal Your Waste!

Recent lab safety surveys have shown that lab workers need to do a better job of managing hazardous waste. The most common problems are labeling and closure.



They are also the two of the easiest violations for regulatory inspectors to notice and could result in fines to your lab.

Hazardous waste regulations stipulate that all containers must be labeled with the

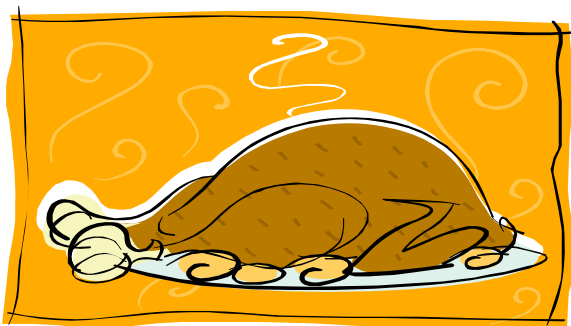
words “Hazardous Waste” and the contents, sealed to prevent evaporation or spills, and stored in containers that are compatible with the contents.

You must label your waste containers immediately upon starting a new container. EHS has provided hazardous waste labels to make this process easier. Write the waste constituents chemical name in English: no abbreviations, chemical formulas or structures, please. Completing the label in pencil usually prevents the writing from washing off with solvents.

Keep your containers closed! It is very easy to leave funnels in open containers instead of capping them. If you will not be adding in more waste within minutes, close your container. Lidded funnels are acceptable provided they secure to the container and you put down the lid after adding waste.

If you have any questions about hazardous waste and how to collect it properly, please contact Jim at 8-7882 for advice and guidance.

NEXT
PICKUP
DEC. 11TH



HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

November and December will have a combined pickup.

That's right! There will be NO pickup on November 27th. The next hazardous waste pickup will be held on Thursday December 11, 2008. December 11th will be the last pickup in 2008 and the only pickup until January 29th, 2009. Please make sure to dispose of any hazardous wastes you have accumulated before leaving for the holiday break.

Please contact EHS at 8-5294 if you have any questions about the waste pickup schedule.

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