
The Waste-Paper

“A waste is a terrible thing to mind”

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Reminder: Before you leave...

- Review your work area with your PI or another lab member. Verify each chemical container is stored properly and labeled correctly.
- Jointly determine the chemicals likely to be used for future projects and those that may be disposed.
- If you are departing from the University prior to a waste collection date, make arrangements with another lab member to bring your material to the next collection.

If you have a significant quantity of waste chemicals and require assistance in removing the chemicals from your lab, EHS can arrange for a laboratory cleanout. Contact EHS at 8-5294 if you have any questions.

This Month's Waste Disposal Drop Off: Wednesday, May 27, 2009

Lewis Thomas loading dock

- Collection room open from 1:00 - 4:30 PM
- Coordinators: [Michael Fredericks](#) (8-1351) or [Mary Zikos](#) (x8-4095)

Jadwin Hall (Physics only)

- E-mail selwood@princeton.edu with the chemicals, quantity, location, contact person.

E-Quad Room 7 (E-Quad and Bowen)

- Collection room open from 2:00 - 3:00 PM
- Coordinators: [Joe Laskow](#) (8-4739) or [Joe Palmer](#)

Frick loading dock (Chemistry, Psychology, Vis Arts)

- Collection room open from 1:00 - 2:00 PM
 - Coordinator: [Phil Fairall](#) (x8-3913)
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Elemental Mercury Waste

Our hazardous waste contractors remove elemental mercury three times annually. This will occur during the January, May and September routine waste pickups. Please keep your elemental mercury waste in your lab prior to the scheduled pickups. If you currently have mercury thermometers, small mercury-containing light bulbs, elemental mercury spill debris or any unwanted mercury stock to dispose, please bring the material to the waste room this May 27th during regular waste collection hours. As always, please ensure your waste containers sealed and labeled. Please continue to bring inorganic and organic mercury compounds to the monthly pickups. Please contact [Jim Boehlert](#) at 8-7882 or [Steve Elwood](#) at

8-6271 with questions or if you have a large volume of elemental mercury. Remember to check your lab's mercury spill kit for waste! As always, EHS can help swap mercury containing equipment with non-mercury alternatives, sometimes at no cost. Contact EHS for more information.

Expecting Summer Help?

Summer is fast approaching and many lab groups will be taking on summer research help – usually high school or college students and teachers. Before enticing the next generation of Nobel Laureates with all that Princeton has to offer, consider the following:

High School Students

Whether paid or unpaid, NJ child labor laws restrict the type of work that individuals under the age of 18 can perform. Children 15 and under are prohibited from conducting any type of work in most research laboratories. For those who are 16 or 17, the Principal Investigator must complete a proposal and submit it to EHS for approval. Enrolment forms and a description of the protocol are available on the EHS website at <http://web.princeton.edu/sites/ehs/hsstudents/hsstudents.htm>. Students must attend Laboratory Safety Training, as described below.

Others

Anyone working in a research laboratory (paid or unpaid) **must** attend Laboratory Safety Training. Similar training from other organizations is not a substitute for this requirement. Laboratory Safety Training sessions are offered at least once per month. See the upcoming EHS training schedule by clicking on the on the “**EHS – Health & Safety**” link on the University's training website at <http://www.princeton.edu/training>. Please contact [Jim Boehlert](#) at 258-7882 with your training related questions.

EHS HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTACTS

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