

BIOLOGICAL WASTE GUIDELINES

BIOSAFETY LEVEL 2 / BIOSAFETY LEVEL 1

Researchers are responsible for the collection, packaging, and transport of biological waste to designated areas within Northeastern University for vendor disposal



STEP 1: SET-UP

- Biohazard burn box with red bags, dolly and lid provided
- Fold box appropriately with bottom flaps together
- Seal flaps with tape at all seams
- Double-bag lined with RED BIOHAZARD BAGS

STEP 2: BIOHAZARD BURN BOX USE

- Collect any biological agent or recombinantcontaminated solid materials in burn box.
- Serological pipettes may puncture bag, so stack linearly, horizontally or with an additional bag.
- Sharps must be placed in sharps container and securely closed prior to placing in burn box
- Keep lid closed when not in use

STEP 3: SAFELY SECURE

- Tie bag when ¾ full with gooseneck or overhand knot
- Securely close and seal top of box by folding flaps together and taping all seams
- Place White Generator Label in upper right corner of box
- Note: DO NOT USE BUNNY EAR TIE

STEP 4: TRANSPORT

- Transport sealed biohazard burn box using provided dolly to designated building waste storage area
- Note: DO NOT USE GLOVES on elevator or door knobs

BIOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE

Any biological agent or recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid-contaminated solid materials; culture flasks/plates, plastic tubes, pipette tips, serological pipettes, PPE (gloves, disposable gowns etc.), other non-liquid waste.



Note: Mixed wastes containing chemical or radiological materials in addition to biological waste must be discarded in the chemical or radiation waste streams respectively