

Biohazard Waste

(Standard Operating Procedure)



Animal Biosafety Level 1 (ABSL-1)

1. Place a **Red Plastic Biohazard Bag** in the metal bin.
2. Place soiled material in the bag.
3. Material that **DOES GO** in the bag:
 - i. **Bloody gloves, tissues, paper towels, etc.**
4. Material that **DOES NOT GO** in the bag:
 - i. **No Body Parts.**
 - ii. **No cardboard transport containers. ***
 - iii. **No sharps or anything that can poke through the bag.**
5. When the bag is **2/3 full**, remove the bag from the bin and tie it loosely so steam can escape during autoclaving. **(PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE: DO NOT OVERSTUFF THE WASTE.)**
6. Place the bag in a **2nd biohazard bag** and tie this off loosely as well.
7. The 6th floor animal housing team picks up dirty caging from CD076D every **Thursday morning** and has agreed to pick up our BioWaste for autoclaving if we follow this procedure:
 - Please make sure the BioWaste is properly bagged and **labeled with PI and Room number.**
 - On **Wednesday PM**, place the bag in CD076D.
 - Contact the 6th floor 206-543-4295 to let the animal housing team know there is a bag that needs to be picked up.

***CARDBOARD TRANSPORT CONTAINERS** should be bagged and either put in the large trash can in the vivarium or you can take them outside to the trash dumpster. **Please don't stack them in the wastebasket in here.**

Please contact Robin Gibson (rgibson@uw.edu) if you have any questions. Thanks!