Storage of medical waste by the generator must not exceed seven calendar days from the date of initial storage. Alabama Department of Environmental Management Land Division—Solid Waste Program Regulations, Chapter 335-13-7, Medical Waste

For questions or concerns contact the Research Compliance Coordinator at 460-6863.

**Biomedical Waste**

- **Sharps**
  - Razor Blades, Syringes with/without Needles, Scalpels, Lancets, Wooden cotton swabs
  - Supplied RED SHARPS Container
  - NO GLOVES!!

- **Medical/Laboratory**
  - Glass & Plastic
  - Sharps
    - Pasteur pipettes, Pipette tips, Inoculating loops, wooden cotton swabs, Stirring devices
    - Any of the following that are BROKEN: Culture dishes, Petri dishes, Culture Flasks, Slide covers, Specimen tubes, Broken glass (Includes all glass or plastic lab equipment that could puncture a plastic bag or break during transport)
    - GLOVES disposable drapes, gowns, masks

- **Solid Waste**
  - Solid waste cultures/stocks from production of biologicals:
    - waste serums, vaccine, antigen, antitoxins, human/primate cell lines
    - discarded live/attenuated vaccines, biological toxins
    - systems used to grow/maintain infectious agents such as agars, gels and broths, UNBROKEN plastic labware
  - Small volume solids
  - Large volume solids and ALL BSL-3 agents
    - Approved autoclavable Bio-hazard bag
    - Autoclave w/ heat Indicator strip

- **Liquid Waste**
  - Human blood, animal blood, body fluids, liquid growth media
    - Autoclaved and disposed down the sanitary sewer
  - Bleach (1:10 dilution)
    - Liquids should sit for a minimum of 8 hours
    - Pour down sanitary sewer
    - Flushing with cold water for minimum of 10 min (pH 6-11).
  - Refer to guidelines on liquid waste disposal

**Note:** Red biohazard bags OR red liners supplied by medical waste hauler should have information label affixed to bag before disposal.

**TIE BAGS WITH “HAND OVER” KNOTS LIKE A BALLOON before disposal.**

Red biomedical waste container with supplied red liner by medical waste hauler

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