

HOW TO MAKE A BIOHAZARDOUS SPILL KIT

Assemble the following items in a single container than can be easily moved to a spill area. A large bucket is practical for the container as it can double as the secondary container for transporting waste away from the spill.

An appropriate chemical disinfectant Material to absorb liquids	 A freshly prepared 1:10 dilution of household bleach, or Other decontaminant appropriate for agent in use Paper towels, Absorbent lab pads, or Any other special materials designed to absorb large volumes of liquid
Personal protective equipment (PPE)	 Nitrile or heavy duty gloves, Long-sleeved lab coat or gown, Safety glasses or goggles, Facial protection for large spills, and Any additional PPE required for agent
A mechanical means to pick up broken glass	 Tongs, Forceps, Scoops, Sponges, Autoclavable dust pan, or Any other method that prevents direct contact with broken glass
Containers for treatment and disposal	 Biohazard bags for clean-up waste, Sharps container for broken glass, and Plastic bucket or other secondary container for transport
Printed spill clean-up instructions	Available online at <u>Biohazardous Spills</u>

Questions?

Contact an EH&S biosafety officer for assistance at <u>ehsbio@uw.edu</u> or 206.221.7770.