

# PACKAGING SHARPS AND LAB GLASS/PLASTIC WASTE

## SHARPS

### ALWAYS sharps waste:

- Needles, syringes with needles and IV tubing with needles attached
- Lancets
- Scalpel blades

### Sharps waste if CONTAMINATED with biohazards (including recombinant or synthetic DNA/RNA):

- Razor blades
- Broken glass
- Fragile glass items, Pasteur pipettes, slides and cover slips



When no more than two-thirds full, close lid and place autoclave tape over lid and sides. Do not block vent holes. Label with PI name and room number.

## BIOHAZARDOUS LAB GLASS & PLASTIC

### CONTAMINATED with biohazards (including recombinant or synthetic DNA/RNA) and could puncture a plastic bag

- Micropipette tips
- Serological pipettes
- Syringes without needles
- Test tubes
- Swabs and sticks
- Other items that could puncture a biohazard bag



Place items in pipette box/keeper or sturdy cardboard box.

Line cardboard box with biohazard bag, and label as "LAB GLASS" with biohazard symbol, PI name and room number.

## NON-HAZARDOUS LAB GLASS & PLASTIC

### NOT contaminated with biohazards and could puncture a plastic bag

- Micropipette tips
- Serological pipettes
- Syringes without needles
- Test tubes
- Swabs and sticks
- Non-contaminated razor blades, broken glass, fragile glass items, Pasteur pipettes, slides and cover slips



Use sturdy boxes. Label as "LAB GLASS" with PI name and room number.

Do not use for disposal of sharps or biohazardous waste, liquid waste, chemicals, or radioactive waste.