

Waste Segregation Guide

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- Bags MUST be tagged when two thirds full using a numbered tag
- Sharps bin and pharmaceutical containers MUST have a completed identification label prior to assembly and on disposal

Dry-Mixed Recycling

EWC: 20-01-33
 Clear bag



- ✓ Newspapers, magazines, paper and flattened cardboard
- ✓ Empty plastic containers
- ✓ Empty juice and milk cartons
- ✓ Empty aluminium cans and tins
- ✓ Plastic bags and packaging marked as 'recyclable'
- ✗ Clinical waste
- ✗ Confidential waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Cartridges
- ✗ Polystyrene and cellophane
- ✗ Food or domestic waste
- ✗ Hand towels
- ✗ Coffee cups

Offensive Waste

Non-infectious waste containing body fluids but free from excess liquid.

EWC: 18-01-04

Yellow and Black bag



- ✓ Wastes from non-infectious patients
- ✓ Nappies, sanitary waste and incontinence pads
- ✓ Human and animal faeces, nasal secretions and sputum
- ✓ Catheter and stoma bags
- ✓ Feminine hygiene waste
- ✓ Non-medicated IV bags and giving sets e.g. sterile water, Sodium Chloride
- ✗ Infectious waste
- ✗ Items not chemically or medicinally contaminated

Infectious waste for incineration

Infectious and potentially infectious items contaminated with chemicals or medicinal wastes.

EWC: 18-01-03 / 18-01-06 / 18-01-07
 Yellow bag



- ✓ IV giving sets and bags
- ✓ Medicated dressings and iodine dressings
- ✓ Swabs, wipes and contrast media
- ✗ Waste chemicals
- ✗ Sharps

LABORATORIES AND THEATRES ONLY

Anatomical Waste

Infectious and potentially infectious items contaminated with body fluid.

EWC: 18-01-02
 Red-lidded burn bin



- ✓ Placenta waste
- ✓ Human tissue
- ✓ Body parts and organs including bleed bags and blood preserves
- ✓ Biopsy samples
- ✗ Sharps
- ✗ Pharmaceutical waste

Sharps

EWC: 18-01-03 / 18-01-09

Yellow-lidded sharps bin



- ✓ All sharps such as needles, syringes, glass phials and small amounts of broken glass not contaminated with cytotoxic and cytostatic medicines
- ✓ Medicated IV giving sets & bags

Pharmaceutical Waste

Medicines other than those that are cytotoxic or cytostatic.

EWC: 18-01-09

Blue and white box



- ✓ Out of date medicines
- ✓ Tablets, blister packs, dosette boxes and patches
- ✓ Inhalers and nasal sprays
- ✓ Medicated intravenous bags with residue
- ✓ Unbroken medicine containers (bottles with residue, vials and ampoules)
- ✓ In original or in inners packaging
- ✗ Outer packaging
- ✗ Cytostatic or cytotoxic medicines
- ✗ Controlled drugs

Battery Waste

EWC: 18-01-09
 Black and pink container



- ✓ Portable batteries only
- ✗ Industrial batteries
- ✗ Automotive batteries

Confidential Waste

EWC: 03-03-08
 Blue wheelie bin



- This bin is for CONFIDENTIAL PAPER ONLY i.e. documents containing:
- ✓ Name, date of birth, age, sex and address
 - ✓ Contact details of staff, patient, family, guardian etc.
 - ✓ Bank details, invoices, statements, order forms
 - ✓ Medical history or records
 - ✓ Personal care issues/details
 - ✓ Service records and file progress notes
 - ✓ Individual personal plans
 - ✓ Assessments or test reports
 - ✓ Personal correspondence (email/letter)
 - ✗ Ordinary paper for recycling
 - ✗ Newspapers and magazines
 - ✗ Books, plastic wallets, lever arch files
 - ✗ Polystyrene, crisp wrappers
 - ✗ Clinical waste

General Waste

EWC: 20-03-01
 Black bag



- ✓ Uncontaminated hand towels
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Leftover food and drink
- ✓ Packaging not marked as 'recyclable'
- ✓ Polystyrene and cellophane
- ✓ Coffee cups
- ✗ Liquid waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Confidential waste
- ✗ Recyclable waste
- ✗ Clinical waste
- ✗ Offensive waste

Infectious waste for treatment

Infectious and potentially infectious items contaminated with body fluid.

EWC: 18-01-03

Orange bag



- ✓ Wastes from Infectious patients
- ✓ Dressings and swabs
- ✓ Wipe gloves, aprons, gowns and masks
- ✗ Not chemically or medicinally contaminated
- ✗ Liquid clinical waste
- ✗ Recyclable waste
- ✗ Domestic or food waste
- ✗ Sharps
- ✗ Pharmaceutical waste

Sharps - Cytotoxic/Cytostatic

EWC: 18-01-03/18-01-08
 Purple-lidded sharps bin



- ✓ Sharps such as needles, syringes, blades or glass phials contaminated with cytotoxic or cytostatic medicines

KNOW YOUR MEDICINES

Other Waste

Please contact Albus Environmental on 03330 156 321 to find out the correct procedure for disposing of the following types of waste:

- Food waste
- Radioactive waste
- Chemical waste
- Fluorescent tubes
- Hazardous waste
- Dental waste
- Aerosols