HANDLING INFECTIOUS WASTE



Call EHS at ext. 2215 for information or to schedule pickups.

Report all infectious waste spills to EHS.

REMINDER:

- Greene County Combined Health District can be on campus at any time to conduct a quarterly infectious waste inspection. <u>Inspections are unannounced.</u>
- Lab personnel are encouraged to review the procedures in the university Exposure Control Plan for proper handling of infectious waste.
- To treat liquid cultures, when approved, use at least a 15 percent (total volume) bleach to liquid culture. Mix and hold for at least 20 minutes prior to sink disposal.
- DO NOT autoclave any liquids or materials containing bleach.
- DO NOT OVERFILL THE INFECTIOUS WASTE BOXES. An overfilled box will be a notice of violation during an inspection.
- Large box max. weight 50 pounds.
 Small box max. weight 40 pounds.