

1 Sharps and Biohazardous Waste

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5 Introduction

6 Biohazardous waste is defined as any biologically contaminated waste, including sharps
7 contaminated with biological materials, that could potentially cause harm to humans, domestic or
8 wild animals, plants, or the environment. Examples include but are not limited to, human body fluids,
9 recombinant DNA, and human, animal, or plant pathogen.

10 Policy Statement

11 All personnel who generate biohazardous waste must follow the procedures outlined in the ISU
12 Sharps and Biohazardous Waste Procedures for disinfection and disposal of biohazardous waste
13 and sharps.

14 Resources

15 Links

- 16 • [EH&S Sharps and Biohazardous Waste Procedure \[PDF\]](#)
- 17 • [EH&S Sharps Safety resource page](#)
- 18 • [EH&S Biological Safety resource page](#)
- 19 • [EH&S Biosafety Manual](#)
- 20 • [Sharps and Biohazardous Waste \[Policy in PDF with line numbers\]](#)

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