

Instructions for Biohazardous Waste Disposal - Quick Check List

- Sign in Autoclave logbook
- Check Biological Indicator (BI) logbook to see if test has been initiated (if it has not been done, see below)
- Ensure waste is in a clear autoclave bag and it has a biohazard waste tag attached. Bags must be half filled, at most
- Weigh your bag(s) and record in autoclave logbook
- Remove and keep biohazard waste tag. Place it on the table in SN1109 until your autoclave cycle is complete
- Loosely open bag(s) and place in autoclave pan
- Place a piece of autoclave tape on bag
- Autoclave on cycle 2
- Ensure you have a black garbage bag to line the red biohazard bin
- Transfer autoclaved waste to black garbage bag in the red bin and place your waste tag on top
- After 48 hrs check BI result and if everything is good throw autoclave waste in appropriate regular garbage (i.e. glass to glass garbage) – place your waste tag in the tag disposal box located on the table in SN1109
- If BI check has failed you need to re-autoclave

Biological Indicator Instructions

If you are the first user of the week you are responsible for the Biological Indicator (BI) test:

- Remove one BI ampoule and record information in BI logbook*
- Attach a string to the BI ampoule and place in the center of load*
- After completion of cycle 2 remove ampoule and after 10 min crush it AND crush a non-autoclaved control ampoule*
- Incubate the two ampoules at 55-60° C for 48 hrs*
- Follow up and record results of BI test in the BI logbook. Bring used ampoules back to your lab to be processed with your next biohazard waste*