

Animal Tissue and Carcass Waste Disposal

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| **Waste Container** | **Red Barrel Red Bag** | **Grey Barrel Sharps Container Red Bag** | **Yellow Barrel Sharps Container Yellow Bag** |
| **Method** | **Offsite Processing** | **Autoclave Offsite** | **Incineration** |
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| OK: | **Animal tissues, organs and carcasses only!**   * Animal tissue and carcasses *Note: for preserved specimens, fixatives must be collected separately & processed as hazardous chemical waste* | **Non-tissue waste items containing residual amounts of animal tissue, blood, bone fragments, etc.**   * Pads, wipes, gloves, bedding * Metal clips & sharps   *(Sharps container only)* | **High hazard animal tissue, organs & carcasses; both tissue & non-tissue waste containing chemotherapy drugs, carcinogens, prions, or low molecular weight biologically-derived toxins.**   * Plastinated animal tissues * Pads, gloves, bedding * Metal clips, glass & sharps (*sharps container only)* |
| NO:  **For more information, email** [**HSRM@umn.edu**](mailto:HSRM@umn.edu) | * Animal waste containing prions * Sharps, glass, metal * Plastinated tissue/carcasses * Animal waste containing [Chemo drugs](https://hsrm.umn.edu/sites/uhs.umn.edu/files/2021-10/fs_chemotherapy_waste_dec_2018_joak_final.pdf), [low molecular weight biological toxins or carcinogens](http://www.dehs.umn.edu/PDFs/Chemo%20Waste%20Disposal%20fact%20sheet.pdf) | * Animal tissue, organs, carcasses * Waste containing prions, or low molecular weight biologically- derived toxins. * Chemical waste or materials containing chemical residue | * Liquid chemical waste |

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