Sharps Disposal

There are two types of Sharps containers that we dispose of at WWU; those that contain Biohazardous Material and those that do not. It is very important that we recognize and consistently segregate these two types of Sharps so that they can be treated and disposed of appropriately.

**Biohazardous Sharps**

Contains needles, syringes, scalpels, razor blades, broken glass, etc. contaminated with bacteria, blood recombinant DNA/RNA, human or animal tissue.

Write lab name and room number of the container.

**CONTAINER MUST BE AUTOCLAVED** prior to pickup by EHS.

**Non-biohazardous Sharps**

Contains needles, syringes, scalpels, razor blades, etc. **NOT** contaminated with biohazardous material.

Must have biohazard label defaced prior to pickup by EHS.

Write lab name and room number of the container.

**DO NOT AUTOCLAVE**