**Chemical Waste Questions**

Q. I have some chemical waste ready for pickup. What do I do?
A. Submit an online chemical waste pick-up request form. EH&S will pick up your waste within 5 business days. Additional information is available in Safety Net #8 “Guidelines for the Disposal of Hazardous Waste”.

Q. How much does it cost to get rid of my waste?
A. Our recharge rates are posted on the EH&S website.

Q. What do I do with my empty containers?
A. Our empty container policy is outlined in Safety Net #124 “Empty Container Management”

Q. What type of containers can I use for my waste?
A. Liquids need to be contained in a chemically compatible glass or plastic container with a leak-proof lid. Please leave 1” of head space. Solids need to be contained in a sealed/closed container or double bagged in clear sealed bags. Additional information is available in Safety Net #8 “Guidelines for the Disposal of Hazardous Waste”. All sharps waste must be placed in puncture proof containers.

Q. How do I fill out a hazardous waste label?
A. Detailed instructions are included in Safety Net #110 “Guidelines for Completing the Chemical Waste Label”

Q. Can I dump my waste down the drain?
A. The campus has very strict sewer disposal requirements. The campus sewer disposal policy is available at our Wastewater Treatment Plant Website. The “Sewer Disposal Flow Chart” and “Numerical Local Limits” links are very helpful. When in doubt, contact either the Waste Water Treatment Plant or EH&S Hazardous Waste group for assistance.

Q. Do you supply waste containers?
A. Yes, EH&S supplies 5 gallon poly carboys, and with special arrangement, 15 and 55 gallon drums. Contact the EH&S Hazardous Waste group for assistance. We do not supply 1 gallon bottles. You may be able to get some from other labs in your building.
Q. The CUPA inspectors coming - should I have all of my hazardous waste removed?
A. No, you don’t need to remove all your waste. The inspectors expect to find waste containers in your facility. Just make sure that all of your containers are stored and labeled properly. See Safety Net #120 “Preparing for a CUPA Inspection” for more information.

Q. How to I package and dispose of pipette tips and other sharps?
A. These items require special packaging. See SafetyNet #3 “Guidelines for Disposal of Sharps, Biological, and Medical Waste” for more information

Q. Do you pickup biological and biohazardous waste?
A. Yes, but there are often other less expensive options. See SafetyNet #3 “Guidelines for Disposal of Sharps, Biological, and Medical Waste” for more information

Q. How do I contact the Hazardous waste staff?
A. Email hazwaste@ucdavis.edu, or call us at 752-1493.

Radioactive Waste Questions

Q. Is there an online resource that summarizes the generator requirements for radioactive waste?
A. Safety Net #9 “Guidelines for Disposal of Radioactive Waste” covers the requirements for the management and disposal of radioactive waste.

Q. How do I request a pickup of my radioactive waste?
A. Submit an online radioactive waste pick-up request form. EH&S will pick up your waste within 5 business days.

Q. How do I get radioactive waste tags, dry waste boxes or liquid waste carboys?
A. Send an email to hazwaste@ucdavis.edu or use the radioactive waste pick-up request form and use the “Replacement Container” field to request what you need.

Q. Where do I get clear, 4 ml thickness plastic liners for my dry waste boxes?
A. These liners are available through the UCD Buy website, catalog # 89121-146.
Radioactive Package Delivery

Q. What is the correct campus delivery address for Radioactive Material?

UC Davis Environmental Services Facility
2201 Environmental Services Lane
Davis, CA 95616
Attn: (Insert your RUA Number and PI name)

It is essential that the RUA number and PI name is included in the address. This address is also used for Center for Neuroscience deliveries.

Q. When will my package be delivered?

A. We attempt to deliver all packages by 2 pm the same day it arrives at our facility. If you are expecting a package, and haven’t received anything by that time, contact the supplier to verify that the material was delivered to the Environmental Services Facility. If you confirm that it was delivered, please contact the Health Physics Lab at 754-4879 and a staff member will assist you.

Q. My package is at your facility. Why won’t you deliver it?

A. Generally, there are three procedural reasons that package deliveries are delayed:

1. We can’t identify who ordered it. This is why it is imperative your RUA number and PI Name are included in the shipping address that is provided to the supplier.
2. Your RUA doesn’t authorize the isotope, amount, or chemical form of the radioactive material that was ordered. If you are changing your protocol or type of material you are using, make sure your RUA is amended before the material is ordered.
3. You haven’t submitted your quarterly radioactive material inventory. Failure to submit your quarterly inventory will suspend receipt of any additional radioactive material.

Q. Can I have radioactive material delivered directly to my laboratory or department?

A. Normally no, but it is allowed in very limited cases. Contact the campus Radiation Safety Officer for more information.

Controlled Substance Questions

Q. How do I dispose of Controlled Substances?

A. Send an email to hazwaste@ucdavis.edu with the following information:

Name, concentration and amount of material
NDC number (if available)
Size and number of containers
Location of the material (building/room)
The best way to reach you (e-mail or telephone number)
We will contact you to arrange for pick-up of your controlled substances.

Q. What is the cost for Controlled Substance Disposal?

A. There is no cost for Controlled Substance Disposal at the present time.