

Environmental Management System

Waste Management Program

Appendix 1: List of common wastes and appropriate waste disposal stream

Common wastes and the procedure to use to dispose of them are listed below. If a particular waste is not listed, email Property and Facilities Cleaning Services at: clean@pf.uq.edu.au or recycle@pf.uq.edu.au

Waste	Stream	Waste	Stream
A			
Aerosol cans	Recycling	Animal faeces (uncontaminated)	Animal Waste
Aluminium cans	Recycling		
Animal carcasses (infected/contaminated)	Clinical/Cytotoxic	Animal limbs (infected/contaminated)	Clinical/Cytotoxic
Animal carcasses (uncontaminated)	Animal Waste	Animal limbs (uncontaminated)	Animal Waste
Animal faeces (infected/contaminated)	Clinical/Cytotoxic	Artificial plants	General
		Asbestos	Contact Prop & Fac.
B			
Batteries	Chemical	Boxes (cardboard) waxed	General
Binders	General	Branches	Green
Books	Recycling/General	Building materials	Maintenance
Boxes (cardboard) non-waxed	Recycling		
C			
Cage linings	Animal Waste	Computers	Recycling
Capacitors	Chemical/Maintenance	Concrete	Maintenance
Carpet	Maintenance	Copier paper wrapping	Recycling
Chemicals	Chemical	Crates (plastic)	General
		Crates (wood)	Maintenance
Computer disks	General/secure bin (through secure paper contractor)		
D			
E			
Electrical equipment	Maintenance	Envelopes	Recycling
F			
Fill material	Maintenance	Food containers	General/recycling
Film	General	Food scraps	General
Fluorescent tubes, Compact fluorescent lamps	Maintenance/Recycling	Food wrappers	General
		Fridges	Maintenance
		Fruit, skins, etc	General
Folders	Recycling	Furniture	Recycling/Maintenance
G			
Glass (bottles)	Recycling	Glass (sheet)	Maintenance
Glass (cleaned chemical bottles)	General	Glue (office)	General
		Grass	Green
Glass (Pyrex)	General		
H			
Herbicides	Chemical		
I			
Ink	Chemical	Insecticides	Chemical

Waste	Stream	Waste	Stream
J			
K			
L			
Labels	General	Light bulb – halogen	Maintenance
Laboratory glassware	General	Light bulb – incandescent	Maintenance
Laminex	Maintenance	Light fittings	Maintenance
Light bulb – HID (high intensity discharge)	Maintenance/ Recycling	Liquid paper	General
Light bulb – LED (light emitting diode)	Maintenance/ Recycling		
M			
Magazines	Recycling	Metal	Maintenance/Recycling
Mercury thermometers	Chemical	Mobile phones	Recycling/General
N			
Needles	Clinical/Cytotoxic	Newspaper	Recycling
O			
Oil	Chemical/Maintenance	Overhead transparencies/slides	General
P			
Paint	General/Chemical	Plastic bags	General
Pallets	Maintenance	Plastic bottles	Recycling
Paper	Recycling	Plastic cups	Recycling
Paper plates	Recycling/General	Plastic plates	Recycling/General
PCB materials	Chemical	Polystyrene cups	General
Pens	General	Polystyrene packaging	Recycling/General
Pesticides	Chemical	Printers	Recycling/Maintenance
Photographs	General	Pyrex glass	General
Q			
R			
Rubber gloves	Clinical/Cytotoxic		
S			
Sharps	Clinical/Cytotoxic	Stickers	General
Soil	Green/Clinical	Suspension files	General
Spiral bound documents	Recycling	Syringes	Clinical/Cytotoxic
Stapled documents	Recycling		
T			
Telephone books	Recycling	Toner cartridges	Recycling
Tissues	General	Transformers	Maintenance
Tissue samples (animal) (uncontaminated)	Animal Waste	Trees	Green
Tissue samples (animal / human – infected/contaminated)	Clinical/Cytotoxic	Tree prunings, offcuts	Green
U			
V			
W			
White goods	Maintenance	Wood	Maintenance/General
X			
X-ray slides and images	E-waste/recycling		
Y			
Z			