

# Biomedical waste decision chart – text alternative

1. Q: “Is there cytotoxic material in the waste?”
  - a. If “Yes”, then “Check only cytotoxic box on label, submit for disposal (incineration)” and “Examples: Animals injected with cytotoxic drug, and Sharps contaminated with cytotoxic drugs.”
  - b. If “No”, then Q: “Are there human body parts or organs in the waste?”
    - i. If “Yes”, then “Check only human anatomical box on label, submit for disposal (incineration)” and “Examples: Human limbs, human appendix, and human tumor”.
    - ii. If “No”, then Q: “Are there complete animals, animal body parts or organs in the waste?”
      1. If “Yes”, then “check only animal anatomical box on label, submit for disposal (incineration)” and “Examples: animal carcasses (mice, rats, etc.) and pig hearts”.
      2. If “No”, then Q: “Are there only sharp containers in the waste?”
        - a. If “Yes”, then “Check only sharps box on label, submit for disposal (autoclave)” and “Examples: Puncture-proof sharp containers filled with blades and needles”.
        - b. If “No”, then “Waste is to be categorized as non anatomical, check only that box on the label, submit for disposal (autoclave)” and “Examples: Puncture-proof container for sharps mixed with other materials (gloves, tips, etc.), petri dishes, slides with anatomical samples, and solids contaminated with biological fluids”.