

Standard Operating Procedures

Waste Glass Container Use and Disposal

Glass containers are for clean or decontaminated glass only:

- No needles
- No contaminated glassware
- No chemicals
- No contaminated pipettes
- No biological materials
- No radioactive materials



Procedure (cardboard box):

- 1) Open new cardboard glass disposal box and securely tape the bottom with heavy duty tape such as duct tape. Line the inside of the box with a heavy duty trash bag.
- 2) Dispose of clean or decontaminated glassware in the container.
- 3) When container is $\frac{3}{4}$ full (less than 30 pounds), take the top off, tie the inner liner, and flip the cardboard “tongue” back under the opening to close the top. If the top does not have a tongue, use plenty of duct tape to close the opening.
- 4) Securely tape the lid onto the box using heavy duty tape (duct tape).
- 5) Place the securely taped box near the trash can for pick-up and notify the EHS Office. It can be put in the dumpster.

Procedure (5 gallon plastic bucket):

- 1) Label bucket – “Broken Glassware”
- 2) Dispose of clean or decontaminated glassware in the container
- 3) When container is $\frac{3}{4}$ full (under 30 pounds), securely tape the lid to the box using heavy duty tape (duct tape).
- 4) Place the securely taped bucket near trash can for pick-up and notify the EHS Office. It can be put in the dumpster.

Note: The Environmental Health & Safety office (EHS) does not provide glass containers. Glass boxes should be kept in good condition. Do not set glass boxes out for removal if they are torn, stained, wet, overfilled, or otherwise appear to be contaminated. If you have any questions regarding glass containers or the disposal of glass or other hazardous substances, please contact the EHS Office at (409) 741-4029.