



**Saskatchewan
Health Authority**

Procedure

Saskatoon & Area - Occupational Health & Safety

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Title: Biological Hazard: Waste

Saskatchewan Employment Act:

OHS Regulation: 31-1, 31-6 to 31-8

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Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to establish the processes for waste management

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Manager/Supervisor:

- Identifies processes and tasks that generate waste
- Manager/supervisor develops site specific safe work procedures to segregate, label and dispose of waste
- Trains workers in waste disposal procedures and the use and maintenance of personal protective equipment
- Documents training and retains records
- Informs workers of the hazards and the measures to minimize the risks in these processes and tasks
- Supervises the work to ensure the equipment is appropriate and safe, the processes are effective, the procedures are followed and personal protective equipment is worn and maintained

Workers:

- Follow safe work procedures and use personal protective equipment
- Report equipment or process failures to their manager/supervisor and to the Safety Alert System/Incident Reporting Line

Non-Compliance/Breach:

Non-compliance with this policy will result in a review of the incident. A review for non-compliance may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment or privileges; fines and /or prosecution of individuals under the Saskatchewan Employment Act and OHS Regulations.

Resources

- For complete SHA policies and Procedures on Waste Management, see <https://documentfinder.saskhealthauthority.ca/en>
- Biomed Recovery and Disposal: www.biomedwaste.com
- [Saskatchewan Biomedical Waste Guidelines](#)

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