**For special cases, please contact EHS at 758-5385**

**WFU Biohazard Waste Disposal Chart**

- **Sharps**
  - razor blades, scalpels, lancets, syringes with/without needles, slide covers, specimen tubes, broken glass**, inoculating loops, stirring devices
  - All needles must be collected in approved sharps containers such as red needle collection bins and broken glass must be collected in cardboard boxes for broken glass.

- **Research lab/clinic Pipetting**
  - Pipettes
    - puncture resistant outer container bearing the biohazard symbol (outer box “x” with indicator tape) lined with orange autoclave bag (“x” the biohazard symbol on bag before loading the bag)
  - Pipette Tips
    - small bench top biohazard bag with indicator tape “x”
      - dispose in biohazard pipettes or solids waste

- **Solids**
  - culture dishes & flasks, petri dishes, solid waste cultures/stocks from the production of biologicals, gloves, disposable drapes, gowns, masks, and other solid material potentially contaminated with biohazardous material
  - Red biohazard collection container bearing indicator biohazard symbol and / or lined cardboard box labeled for biohazard waste.
    - Chemical disinfection with proper contact time, down sanitary sewer
    - Autoclaved and disposed down the sanitary sewer

- **Liquids**
  - human blood
  - animal blood
  - human tissue culture
  - bodily fluids
  - liquid growth media
  - liquid waste was used for propagating microbes/viral vectors/toxins?
    - NO
    - YES
      - Apply to NC Medical Waste Division for approval of chemical disinfection if necessary

**Bio Hazard Waste including sharps containers must be disposed of by contracted services. Pick-up by contractor must be scheduled by individual depts. Broken Glass boxes must be closed with tape and may be removed by custodial and sanitation employees.**