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Waste Management Guidance Note WMGN28 Other Medicine Wastes (Blue lidded clinical waste box)

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Waste Management Guidance Note WMGN28 Other Medicine Wastes; Not Cytotoxic or Cytostatic	
Location Generated	Laboratory or clinic
EWC	18 01 09 / 18 02 08
Type	Waste Category Controlled – Non-hazardous waste
Disposal Method	Segregated for incineration
Bin/Bag Type	Blue topped yellow ridged clinical box 7ltr, 11ltr, 24ltr

Duty of Care Requirements

EWC 18-01-09 “Medicines other than those mentioned in 18 01 08”(Non-hazardous)
EWC 18 02 08 “Medicines other than those mentioned in 18 02 07” (Non-hazardous)

Description; Clinical waste medicines (not cytotoxic and cytostatic) from human or animal healthcare, for incineration only.

It is a legal requirement under the Hazardous Waste Regulations to segregate hazardous wastes from non-hazardous waste and to ensure all wastes are correctly classified. Incorrectly disposing of hazardous waste via a non-hazardous waste stream can lead to legal and financial penalties dependent upon the severity of the noncompliance. The Department of Health Technical Memorandum 07-01: Safe Management of Healthcare Waste¹, provides comprehensive guidance on the disposal of healthcare waste in line with industry standards, and legal requirements, and outlines the nationally recognised colour coded system for healthcare/clinical wastes.

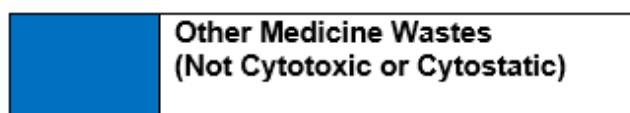


Figure 1 – Description

Items

Non-cytotoxic/cytostatic waste medicines e.g. medicines that have been used in the treatment of patients such as unused, or part used, or out of date;

- Tablets
- Creams
- Liquid dose medicines
- Medicine patches

¹ [Department of Health Technical Memorandum 07-01: Safe Management of Healthcare Waste](#)

Disposal Instructions

Internal Storage

All waste medicines outlined must be placed into a 7ltr, 11ltr, or 24ltr **blue lidded**, clinical waste box.



Figure 2 - Blue-topped yellow ridged bin

Blue lid sharps bins can be obtained and signed out from the following locations;

Singleton Campus

- FMHLS: ILS1 Stores
- FSE: Wallace Stores

For any other Faculty or PSU email estates-waste@swansea.ac.uk

External Storage/ Disposal

For disposal ensure the lid is sealed for transport. Full sharps bins must be taken back to the following locations;

Singleton Campus

- FMHLS: ILS1 Stores
- FSE: Wallace Stores

Disposal Cost

There is a charge for this service, contact estates-waste@swansea.ac.uk for further information

For further guidance please contact estates-Waste@Swansea.ac.uk

Forms and Labelling

All relevant forms, labels and further waste guidance can be found [here](#)