

Are you preparing suspected Ebola-contaminated waste for transportation?

Ebola-contaminated waste is considered a Category A infectious substance and must be double bagged and placed in rigid outer package prior to transportation.

You must use packaging meeting the requirements for a Division 6.2 Category A material or DOT-SP 16279. This is general information; for specific guidance refer to 49 CFR 173.196 or DOT-SP 16279.

Packaging Requirements:

Use plastic film bags, 175 liters or smaller (46 Gallons) that weigh no more than 22 lbs., when filled.

Plastic film bags must be compatible with the EPA-registered disinfectant that is recommended by the CDC for use against the Ebola virus. For the EPA list of registered disinfectants see www.epa.gov/oppad001/list-l-ebola-virus.html.

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Packaging Preparation:

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Bag the waste

- Place contaminated waste into plastic bag
- Use authorized container for sharps
- Wrap sharp edges to prevent puncturing of the plastic bag
- Add EPA-registered disinfectant
- Tie a knot to close the bag
- Treat exterior surface with EPA-registered disinfectant

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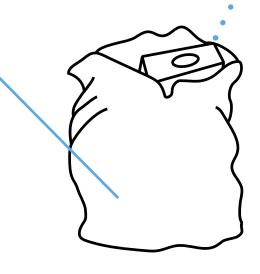
Double bag

- Place first bag into a second plastic bag with the knot facing upward
- Tie a knot to close the bag
- Treat exterior surface with EPA-registered disinfectant

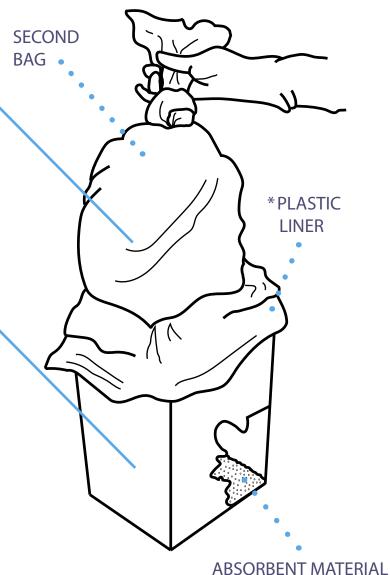
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Place contaminated waste in outer drum/box

- Place absorbent material in bottom of drum or liner if using fiber drum/box
- Put bags in outer drum (can be metal, poly, or fiber drum/box with plastic liner*)
- If using fiber drum/box, zip-tie liner
- Secure the drum/box



SHARPS CONTAINER





For more information on transporting infectious substances, please visit PHMSA's website:

http://phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/transporting-infectious-substances

or contact the Hazmat Info Center: 1-800-467-4922