Segregation & Packaging Healthcare Waste



Orange/Blue Sharps Container

Needles, syringes and all contaminated sharps.



Yellow Lidded Container

Contained blood and body fluids with absorbent, hard plastic instruments.

No sharps, free liquids, heavy metals or chemically contaminated waste.



Yellow Bag

Soft waste only.

No sharps, liquids, hard objects or chemically contaminated wastes.



Purple Lidded Container

Non sharps cytotoxic waste & pharmaceuticals.

No sharps or free liquids.



Black Lidded Container

Recognisable anatomical waste, placentas, large metal objects and non-autoclaved microbiological cultures.

No sharps or free liquids.



Purple Sharps Container

Contaminated cytotoxic sharps and unused medicines.

No free liquids.

Please note max weight limit in the UN code:

Rigid containers: On the handle is a "UN code" which shows the weight limit. E.g.: Y15 = 15Kg max weight. **Sharps containers:** The max weight is displayed between the 'Y' and the 'S'.

