

BIOHAZARD LABORATORY SAFETY RULES

- 1. Know, understand and comply with all Laboratory Safety Rules.
- 2. Know, understand and comply with all components of the Biosafety Program and the University's Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS).
- 3. Register on the Biosafety Permit all biohazards handled/stored in the laboratory for research and teaching purposes. Biohazards include, but are not limited to, infectious material (e.g. bacteria, viruses, fungi, cell lines, blood, prions, animal pathogens, aquatic animal pathogens, vector-borne pathogens & plant pests) and microbial toxins (e.g. botulinum toxin, cholera toxin & diphtheria toxin).
- 4. Move biohazards outside of the laboratory using a leak-proof, impact resistant container.
- 5. Move biohazard waste bags contained in a plastic tray and on a cart.
- 6. Clean work surfaces and equipment with a disinfectant effective against infectious material or a neutralizing chemical effective against microbial toxins, as required.
- 7. Use Biosafety Cabinets for procedures with the potential to produce infectious aerosols and for high concentrations or large volumes of infectious material.
- 8. Use and dispose of safety-engineered medical sharps, as required.
- 9. Do not recap waste needles.
- 10. All exposures must be immediately treated, medically assessed and reported as per the Post-Exposure Protocol for Biological Hazards.