

HAZARDOUS WASTE POLICY



It is the responsibility of all members of staff to ensure materials that might be contaminated with bodily fluids are disposed of in a safe and hygienic manner. This is particularly important because of the risks presented by children who may be carrying infectious diseases such as conjunctivitis, gastro-enteritis, meningitis, hepatitis, tuberculosis and HIV.

Members of staff are expected to wear latex or rubber gloves when clearing up any body fluids such as urine, vomit, and blood or bowel waste.

Contaminated materials must be adequately wrapped and placed in a bin or directly into the dustbin outside.

Tissues used to wipe eyes and blow noses should be similarly disposed of.

Any soiled areas must be cleaned using a disinfectant product and cloths washed and disinfected. Paper towels or toilet tissues can be disposed of in the bin or down the toilet as appropriate.

Staff must wash their hands thoroughly after any incident.

Rubber or latex gloves can be washed and reused if appropriate.

Disinfectant products must be kept out of the reach of all children.

It is recommended that staff should wear protective gloves when using undiluted disinfectant and bleach.

