

HAZARDOUS WASTE POLICY



It is the responsibility of all members of staff to ensure that 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.

