



# Biohazard Spill Clean-Up Kit and Disposal System



The only complete solution for both cleanup and disposal by mail of biohazardous spill waste and materials.

This convenient system comes complete with everything necessary to clean up blood and other potentially infectious materials including sharps. The Sharps® system goes one step further by providing a means to safely, easily and legally remove these materials from your location and transport them to our facility for destruction via the U.S. Postal Service.

Sharps® Biohazard Clean-Up and Disposal Kit has the capacity to contain spills of up to 1 liter of contaminant.

The cleanup kit, transportation, and destruction are all included in the price of the kit.

***PPE and container for cleanup and disposal of both sharps and non-sharps waste right at the location of the spill***

## ADVANTAGES

- Compliance with federal, state and municipal regulations
- Only buy what you need and use as needed
- Elimination of expensive or unnecessary pick-ups by medical waste haulers
- No contract requirement
- No red bags in the trash
- Immediate dispose
- Transportation of waste via the U.S. Postal Service

## SPECIFICATIONS

Each kit includes:

- 1 or 2-gallon mailback bucket (sharps may be placed into this bucket)
- A protective plastic safety apron with sleeves
- 2 pair of protective non-latex gloves
- 1 Mask and face shield combination
- Protective hair and shoe covers
- 1 package of absorbent material
- Scraper and shovel
- 1 bottle of EPA-registered cleaner and disinfectant
- 1 hand cleaning towelette
- Absorbent towels
- 1 full set of instructions in both English and Spanish
- 1 Sharps Disposal by Mail packaging system (postage prepaid)
- Item Number #51000
- Also available in a 2-gallon size #52000

## The Why and How of Blood and Body Fluid Spill Cleanup

### The Why

Bloodborne pathogens are disease-producing organisms that can be carried in human blood and certain other body fluids\*. They can be spread from one person to another through needlesticks and non-intact skin contact with these fluids. This can lead to the contraction of serious bloodborne diseases such as hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and AIDS. There are many other bloodborne diseases that can be contracted in the same way including malaria and syphilis.

To help prevent the occupational spread of these diseases, facilities should have a program in place not only to clean up, but to properly dispose of materials such as:

- Needles and other blood-contaminated sharp items
- Items contaminated with blood and other body fluids
- Blood and body fluid spills

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requires those facilities covered under the Bloodborne Pathogen Standard to maintain a blood and body fluid spill clean up kit. Those facilities must also have a system in place for proper disposal of this regulated waste. In addition, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has revised its guidelines to state that NO blood syringes or bloody sharp items, should go into the regular trash.

In addition to bloodborne pathogens, foodborne pathogens such as the Norovirus can be transmitted from person to person due to inadequate handwashing and improper cleaning, such as mopping of surfaces contaminated with stool or vomit. This virus causes nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea, and often begins suddenly and should be handled and cleaned up with an appropriate spill kit.

### The How

When blood, other body fluids, syringes, or other contaminated sharp items need to be cleaned up, locate your facility's Sharps Bio-Hazard Spill Clean-Up Kit and Disposal System and follow the following procedure:

- Determine what PPE is to be used, depending on size and location of spill. Gloves, mask, face shield, gown, hair and shoe covers are included.
- If fluid spill is on a hard surface, place included absorbent over the spill. Use the included scoop to pick up the absorbed material.  
 If the spill is dried, soak with disinfectant first, and then add absorbent.
- Place absorbed material into the biohazard spill kit disposal container.
- Place broken contaminated glass or syringe into the container using tongs or scoop. Never pick up glass or syringes with your hands.
- Spray contaminated surface with included disinfectant/cleaner and wipe with included towel in order to clean. This may need to be repeated.
- Spray again with the disinfectant and let it air dry according to the manufacturer's instructions. Be sure to block off the area to reduce potential slips and falls.
- If spill is on carpeting, sprinkle with disinfecting absorbent and scoop up. Never vacuum up the absorbent. Clean the carpet.
- Dispose of PPE and all other spill cleanup materials into the Sharps Bio-Hazard Spill Clean-Up Kit and Disposal System container.
- Clean hands with included sanitizing hand towelette. Wash with soap and tepid water as soon as feasible.
- Prepare Clean-Up Kit for disposal by mail according to included package instructions.
- Review procedures to determine the cause of this spill and if changes in policy and procedure need to be made.

The facility should identify the specific location of the Sharps Biohazard Spill Clean-Up Kit and Disposal System in their safety policy manual.






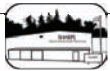
\*The following body fluids could contain bloodborne pathogens: semen and vaginal fluid, fluid from around the heart, joints, lungs, abdomen, an unborn baby, saliva in a dental procedure (due to the presence of blood), any body fluid with visible blood in it, and any body fluid that is unidentifiable.

## WHAT MAKES THE SHARPS DISPOSAL BY MAIL SYSTEM® EVEN BETTER

- In use since 1994
- Sharps does it all from manufacturing through destruction
- One company and one disposal site for all locations
- USPS-permitted and approved by all 50 states
- System complies with OSHA, EPA and all federal regulations
- Nationally recognized team of regulatory experts and compliance consultants at your disposal
- Online manifest tracking and management with SharpTracer®

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How the System Works	
1. Order the Sharps Disposal By Mail System® online or by phone. If you have a business account, be sure to sign up for SharpTracer®.	
2. Deposit sharps and other medical waste into appropriate container. Close lid securely when ready for disposal.	
3. Complete manifest tracking form and keep Generator copy.	
4. Package container in the Sharps postage pre-paid return mailback box following enclosed instructions.	
5. Give sealed box to your mail carrier, take to a U.S. Post Office, or request a Priority Pickup from the Post Office.	
6. Medical waste is delivered to the Sharps dedicated treatment facility. Your waste is weighed, documented and completely destroyed without ever opening the box.	
7. Proof of destruction is available online by logging in to your SharpTracer® account.	