



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Scrap Glass

Scrap glass that is not contaminated with chemical, biological, or radioactive materials is to be collected using a sturdy cardboard box with a lid. The following items need to be collected in a scrap glass box: beakers, jars, flasks, test tubes, large glass pipettes and empty reagent bottles that held non-hazardous chemicals or that have been rinsed to remove the hazardous materials they previously held.

Once the scrap glass box is full, close the box, and tape the lid shut. Clearly mark the scrap glass box "BROKEN GLASS". Environmental Services staff will pick up the scrap glass box from the laboratory and place it into the trash compactor.

Observe the following when collecting scrap glass in the laboratory:

- Use a sturdy cardboard box with a lid as the scrap glass box.
- Scrap glass must not have had contact with radioactive isotopes or potentially infectious agents.
- Scrap glass must not contain toxic or hazardous chemicals that would present a significant health.
- Do not discard needles, razor blades, scalpels, batteries, mercury thermometers, or fluorescent lamps into the scrap glass box.