

# The 5 L's of Hazardous Waste Collection

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- CoLLect
- Label
- Lid
- Locate
- Leaks

CHEMICAL/HAZARDOUS WASTE FOR DISPOSAL

Generator: JONES LAB

Bldg: Mudd Room # 351

Telephone Number: 4-4409

Circle the appropriate waste stream for this container

Acid Aqueous Caustic Reagent  
Solvent Other

CHEMICAL: Acetone VOLUME: 100%

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

Ignitable  Corrosive  Toxic  
 Oxidizer  Reactive  Carcinogen  
 Liquid  Solid  Liquid / Solid Mixture

I certify that the above information is correct. I understand there are penalties under law for false certification of hazardous waste.

Contact the EH&RS at 4-8749. For Chemical Waste Pick-up, use <http://www.ehrs.columbia.edu/ChemicalWastePickupForm.html>

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DIRECTIONS

## CoLLect

- CoLLect all of your hazardous chemical wastes and submit a chemical pick-up request form to EH&RS for proper disposal. Please consult with EH&RS if you are unsure if your chemical waste is Hazardous Waste.  
<http://www.ehrs.columbia.edu/ChemicalWastePickupForm.html>
- Evaluate your chemical inventory periodically and coLLect chemicals for disposal that are unwanted, expired or have no intended use.
- **DO NOT** - Dispose of Hazardous Waste inappropriately or prior to determining its hazards. Hazardous Waste must not be poured down the drain.

## Label

- Affix a Hazardous Waste Label to the container as soon as you start collecting waste.
- List all of the components of the waste on the Label.
- **DO NOT** - Use chemical formulae or abbreviations on Hazardous Waste Labels.

## Lid

- Keep Hazardous Waste containers closed *at all times*, except when actively adding or removing waste.
- Use a closeable Lid that will prevent the Hazardous Waste from spilling should the container be knocked over.
- **DO NOT** - Leave a funnel in a Hazardous Waste container.

## Locate

- Locate Hazardous Waste containers at or near the point of the Hazardous Waste's generation (a.k.a. Satellite Accumulation Area).
- **DO NOT** - Locate Hazardous Waste containers outside of the room in which the waste was generated.

## Leaks

- Inspect Satellite Accumulation Areas *weekly* for Leaks.

- **DO NOT** - Allow Leaking containers to remain in Satellite Accumulation Areas. Contact EH&RS upon discovering the leak.

When a waste container is 90% full, submit a Chemical Waste Pick-up Request Form by visiting:  
<http://www.ehrs.columbia.edu/ChemicalWastePickupForm.html>

All containers and lab ware must be **EMPTY** prior to disposal!!!  
If not empty, collect as hazardous waste.  
If empty, rinse all empty containers and lab ware with tap water and dispose of as described below.



**CONTACT EH&RS (854-8749)**

OR

<http://www.ehrs.columbia.edu/ChemicalWastePickupForm.html>:

- ★ To obtain appropriate hazardous waste labels
- ★ To request hazardous waste disposal
- ★ To obtain bulk waste collection containers, if generating large quantities of waste
- ★ With any questions regarding chemical waste