

Department of Environmental Health and Safety

Memorandum

TO: Occupants at the Center for Bioengineering and Biotechnology

FROM: Keith Duval - University of Pittsburgh Environmental Health & Safety

DATE: October 14, 2024

RE: 2025 Chemical Waste Receiving Schedule (Center for Bioengineering and Biotechnology)

Below is the 2025 schedule for chemical waste receiving at the Center for Bioengineering and Biotechnology. A representative from the University of Pittsburgh Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) will be available at the Hazardous Waste Accumulation Area located on the Center for Bioengineering and Biotechnology loading dock **every other week from 10:30am to 11:00am** to receive chemical waste on the following dates:

Thursday, January 2, 2025 Thursday, January 16, 2025 Thursday, January 30, 2025 Thursday, February 30, 2025 Thursday, February 27, 2025 Thursday, March 13, 2025 Thursday, March 27, 2025 Thursday, April 10, 2025 Thursday, April 24, 2025 Thursday, May 8, 2025 Thursday, May 22, 2025 Thursday, June 5, 2025 **Wednesday, June 18, 2025** Thursday, July 3, 2025 Thursday, July 17, 2025 Thursday, July 31, 2025 Thursday, August 14, 2025 Thursday, August 28, 2025 Thursday, September 11, 2025 Thursday, September 25, 2025 Thursday, October 9, 2025 Thursday, October 23, 2025 Thursday, November 6, 2025 Thursday, November 6, 2025 Thursday, November 20, 2025 Thursday, December 4, 2025 Thursday, December 18, 2025

All chemical waste must be capped, and secondary containment (e.g. boxed or in a plastic bin and placed on a cart with sides, in a bucket, etc.) must be used when moving waste chemicals within the building. The freight elevator should be used for chemical transport, and **no gloves should be worn outside of the laboratory**. All waste containers must be labeled with an orange WASTE CHEMICALS label. The label must include:

- identity of contents with the common chemical name (no abbreviations or formulas)
- date
- name and extension of the individual generating the waste

Chemical waste should never be abandoned on the dock at any time. Waste material will only be accepted at the designated time and date. Keep in mind that it is a violation of Federal, state and local regulations to dispose of chemicals via the drain, sewer, or general trash. Please utilize the University's chemical waste program for all excess and unwanted chemicals.

Any questions regarding chemical waste management in research labs should be directed to Jonathan Lundy at 412-624-8526 or Wayne Eakin at 412-624-2463. University of Pittsburgh EH&S should also be contacted in the event of any chemical releases at 412-624-9505.