

PROPER SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- Safety Glasses** - Proper eye protection must always be worn when handling Universal Waste.
- Protective Gloves** - Hand protection must be worn to protect you from broken glass, sharp edges and battery acid.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

Unauthorized dumping of Universal Waste is prohibited. Universal Waste not placed in proper storage locations is a violation of environmental regulations and is punishable by a fine, it also poses a potential hazard and health threat to the people and the environment.



If you see something say something!



Building Name	Building Address	UW location
Bard Hall	60 Haven Ave.	Basement Level 1
Building 722	722 168 th St. & Haven Ave.	R9 level, 9th Floor vestibule
Georgian West	617 W. 168 th St.	Laundry room
Irving Cancer Research Center (ICRC)	1130 St. Nicholas Ave.	C1 level
Lasker	3960 Broadway,	Basement level
P&S	650 W. 168 th St.	Basement level
Russ Berrie	1150 St. Nicholas Ave.	Ground level
Tower Center	100 Haven Ave.	B1 level
HHSC	701 W. 168 th St	LL2 level

UNIVERSAL WASTE

A GUIDE TO PROPER HANDLING AND MANAGEMENT

AT
**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
MEDICAL CENTER**

Everything has a place!



WHERE DO I BELONG?

LAMPS



Carefully place used lamps into their proper containers. **DO NOT** break the lamps. Broken lamps are considered Hazardous Waste.

1. Once used lamps are in the container be sure to replace the lid.
2. Broken lamps need to be swept up and managed as Hazardous Waste.



BALLASTS & BATTERIES



Ballasts

1. Place all ballasts inside metal or poly drum.
2. Be sure to close the top once ballasts are in the drum.

Batteries

1. **ALL** large batteries must be placed in secondary containment such as on a spill pallet; small batteries are to be placed inside of white flip top can or inside a poly drum.
2. Always be sure to close the container lid when finished.
3. Leaking or damaged batteries must be put in secondary containment and managed as Hazardous Waste. Contact EH&RS/EH&S immediately if you have leaking or damaged batteries.

COMPUTERS/ELECTRONICS



1. Place **ALL** computers and unwanted electronic equipment neatly inside the provided poly bin, storage room or cage area.
2. **DO NOT** throw computers into the poly bin, storage room or cage area. If a monitor breaks not only is there a danger from broken glass, it must be managed as Hazardous Waste.

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