

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE**  
**Department of Chemistry**

**Disposal of Empty Chemical Containers**

07-22-08

Designated Area:

All laboratories, both teaching and research.

Personal Protection:

Safety Goggles, Lab coat and appropriate gloves.

Training:

No formal training is necessary to complete this task. This SOP is included however in the department **Safety Packet** which is issued to all employees in the department and students involved in research.

Process:

**Empty chemical containers (must have a cap) are to be taken to Chemical Management Center (Basement WBSH). Call first - X3703.**

**Do not discard in a trash can, crock, barrel, dumpster etc.**

**EXCEPTION** -You may use an empty chemical container for waste but **do not deface the barcode.**

The procedure for disposing of waste remains the same. Complete and attach a Chemical Waste Form to the container/bottle and take to the storage area on the sixth floor of Ward Beecher.

Hazards involved in procedure:

Use caution when handling glassware  
Any Questions??? – Call CMC (X3703), Tim Styranec (X3665)  
**Emergency number – (X911)**