Viral Hemorrhagic Fever (VHF) / Ebola Suspect or Confirmed Waste Removal



Don PPE

Using the buddy system, don Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (Coverall or Gown) for suspect or confirmed **Ebola** patient, prior to entering patient room to clean and/or remove waste.

Place waste into container



Carefully place waste material into 18-gallon biomedical bin. Do not fill the 18-gallon biomedical container more than $\frac{3}{4}$ full.

If the waste material is saturated place a solidifying agent into the 18-gallon biomedical prior to placing the lid on.

Move waste container to PPE Buddy



Move container to doffing area by dragging. Avoid placing hands into lifting handles. Position so lid hinges face PPE buddy positioned in clean area next to removal cart.

Wipe down sides of bin.

PPE Buddy places lid on container



On the clean side PPE Buddy places lid on bin

The lid has two hinges that must be positioned correctly in order for the lid to be closed securely.

PPE Buddy places container on waste trolley



PPE Buddy lifts bin, staff in doffing area wipes bottom of bin. PPE Buddy places bin on waste trolley.

Removal of container to quarantine area

Designated Environmental Services staff checks lids security, and places label on bin. Staff then transports waste to quarantine area and separates the Ebola waste from regular biomedical waste.







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Note: This picture is taken from inside a biomedical waste cooler.

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