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333.13809 Producing facility not incinerating medical waste on site; containment of medical waste.

Sec. 13809.

A producing facility that does not incinerate medical waste on site shall do all of the following to contain medical

- (a) Package, contain, and locate medical waste in a manner that protects and prevents the medical waste from release at the producing facility or at any time before ultimate disposal.
- (b) Separate the categories of medical waste at the point of origin into appropriate containers that are labelled as required under subdivision (c).
- (c) Label the containers required under subdivision (b) with a biohazard symbol or the words "medical waste" or "pathological waste" in letters not less than 1 inch high.
- (d) Not compact or mix medical waste with other waste materials before decontamination, incineration, and disposal.
- (e) If decontaminated medical waste is mixed with other solid waste, clearly label the container to indicate that it contains decontaminated medical waste.
- (f) Store medical waste in such a manner that prevents putrefaction and also prevents infectious agents from coming in contact with the air or with individuals.
- (g) If medical waste is stored outside of the producing facility, store the medical waste in a secured area or locked in a container that weighs more than 500 pounds and prevent access to the area or container by vermin or unauthorized individuals.
- (h) Except as provided under subdivision (i), not store medical waste on the premises of the producing facility for more than 90 days.
- (i) Store sharps contained in a sharps container on the premises of the producing facility until the sharps container is filled to no more than 3/4 capacity but for no more than 18 months from the date the first sharps is deposited into the container.

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