



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3745-570-100 Infectious waste generators - general obligations.

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(A) A generator shall manage infectious waste and mixtures of infectious waste with another waste as follows:

(1) For infectious waste that is also a hazardous waste, in accordance with Chapters 3745-50 to 3745-69 of the Administrative Code. No generator of infectious waste may transport or cause the transportation of hazardous waste to an infectious waste treatment facility.

(2) For infectious waste that is also radioactive waste, in accordance with the following:

(a) Manage the waste in accordance with applicable Ohio department of health and U.S. nuclear regulatory commission regulations.

(b) Use a monitoring instrument, calibrated at least annually, to verify that infectious waste that is also radioactive no longer needs to be managed in accordance with Ohio department of health and U.S. nuclear regulatory commission regulations.

(c) In a manner that prevents transportation of the waste to an infectious waste treatment facility until monitoring in accordance with paragraph (A)(2)(b) of this rule demonstrates that the waste no longer needs to be managed in accordance with Ohio department of health and U.S. nuclear regulatory commission regulations.

(d) Manage the waste in accordance with rule 3745-570-110 or 3745-570-120 of the Administrative Code, as applicable, if monitoring in accordance with paragraph (A)(2)(b) of this rule demonstrates that the waste no longer needs to be managed in accordance with Ohio department of health or U.S. nuclear regulatory commission regulations.

(B) A generator that is a hospital as defined in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code may accept the following waste for treatment or storage prior to treatment:



(1) Infectious waste from a generator that has staff privileges at the hospital and generates less than fifty pounds of infectious waste in any one month.

(2) Infectious waste generated by an individual for purposes of the individual's own care or treatment.

(3) Infectious waste generated in providing care to a patient at the scene of an emergency or during the transportation of the patient to the hospital by an emergency medical service organization as defined in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code.

(C) Not later than sixty days after containers of infectious waste are closed and no longer considered in use by a generator, the generator shall ensure that containers of infectious waste are either received by an infectious waste treatment facility or lawfully disposed as solid waste in accordance with paragraph (B) of rule 3745-570-110 of the Administrative Code.

(D) The following shall not be considered when determining the quantity or monthly generation rate of infectious waste produced by a generator:

(1) The weight of blood, blood products, other body fluids, or embalming fluids that are discharged on the site of generation into a disposal system as defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code if the generator holds a license issued under Chapter 4717. of the Revised Code.

(2) For an emergency medical service organization as defined in section 4765.01 of the Revised Code, infectious waste accepted by a generator that is a hospital as defined in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code.

(E) A generator may discharge untreated liquid or semiliquid infectious waste consisting of exclusively blood, blood products, body fluids, and excreta into a disposal system as defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code unless otherwise specified in a permit for the system issued under Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code.

(F) Except as provided in paragraphs (A)(1) and (A)(2) of this rule, nothing in this chapter prohibits



a generator of infectious waste from designating and managing waste, in addition to infectious waste, as infectious waste when, in the judgment of the generator, the other waste should be managed as infectious waste because the waste is, or is likely to be, contaminated with infectious agents. After designating any such other waste as infectious, the generator shall manage the waste in compliance with this chapter.