Wisconsin Medical/Infectious Waste Management

This publication is provided to assist Wisconsin solid waste generators in determining if they are “medical/infectious” waste generators, what state regulatory requirements apply and where to find Wisconsin Administrative Codes, Statutes and state guidance.

Go to our SHWEC web page at http://www.uwex.edu/shwec for other solid waste management and guidance publications for WI Hazardous Waste Management and WI Universal Waste Management.

The information in this guidance document comes primarily from two sources:

1. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources- Infectious Waste main page:

2. Healthcare Environmental Resource Center online documents at:
   http://www.hercenter.org/index.cfm

Internet links are provided in the following sections rather than the full documents. If you cannot access the document from your computer contact the Solid and Hazardous Waste Education Center at www.uwex.edu/shwec for assistance.

Section 1 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Publications and Links

- Wisconsin Administrative Codes and State Statutes for Medical / Infectious Waste
- Medical / Infectious Waste Publications which now includes
  - Infectious Waste Annual Report
    1. FORM 4400-177 08 [PDF 78KB] - Instructions
    2. FORM 4400-177 Infectious Waste Annual Report [PDF 19KB] - Parts I, II, III, & IV
- SHWEC Publications- A Pollution Prevention Guide for Dentists
- SHWEC Publications- Amalgam Management for Dental Offices
- SHWEC Publications- Choosing an Amalgam Separator for Your Dental Office
- DNR Magazine- Operating With A New Attitude
Other Cooperative Environmental Assistance publications
Section 2 WI Medical and Infectious Waste Resources from Healthcare Environmental Resource Center Website [http://www.hercenter.org/rmw/wi-rmw.cfm](http://www.hercenter.org/rmw/wi-rmw.cfm)

Medical/Infectious waste requirements as they are described on the HERC web site. If you cannot download these documents contact SHWEC for assistance.

**Definition of Infectious Medical Waste**

**Managing Regulated Medical Waste**

**OSHA Regulations**

**Statutes, Regulations and Guidelines**

**Contacts** and **More Information**

**Other Medical Waste Management Resources**

Western Sustainability and Pollution Prevention Network
- Resources- [http://wsppn.org/resources/](http://wsppn.org/resources/)
- **JCAHO and Pollution Prevention** (498 KB)
  Cecilia DeLoach, Hospitals for a Healthy Environment
- **JCAHO EPA Region 2 Memo** (46 KB)
- **JCAHO Handout** (179 KB)

**Other Resources**

Wisconsin is one of 26 states covered entirely by the federal OSHA program. This program is operated by the [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](https://www.osha.gov/). OSHA Regulations from the [HERC OSHA State Page](http://www.hercenter.org/rmw/wi-rmw.cfm) and the [OSHA's Hospital eTool](http://www.osha.gov/)

**Wisconsin OSHA Inspection Activity, Hospitals, 2000-2005**

**Application of HAZWOPER to Worksite Response and Cleanup Activities.**

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