

Waste Disposal

The University of Regina provides waste disposal containers and bins on campus that are compliant with waste disposal processes to keep everyone (and our environment) safe.

ONLY APPROVED CONTAINERS AND BINS SHOULD BE USED WHEN DISPOSING OF WASTE

Below is a guide of the approved waste disposal containers and bins on campus and the best practice for handling waste.

1. BLUE BINS: Cans/Bottles and Mixed Recycling

Cans/bottles: Remove lids and empty before placing in bin.

Mixed Recycling: Paper, cardboard, clean plastics (#2-7), household aluminum and tin.

Note: The presence of food waste, liquids, or contaminated materials can create safety risks and compromise recyclable materials; making them unsuitable for recycling.



2. GREEN BINS: Battery Disposal

Batteries should not be discarded in general waste bins or office waste baskets.

Battery Bins are ONLY for battery recycling! Do not dispose garbage, glass, or lightbulbs!

To prepare batteries for safe disposal:

- Tape the terminals of all battery types - preferably with clear tape to prevent sparks or fire.
- Place batteries in a clear and sealable bag.

Note: If a battery is leaking or damaged, place it in a sealed bag and do not handle it with bare hands.



3. GENERAL WASTE BINS

Waste for landfill, Styrofoam, napkins, bottle caps, plastic straws, food containers and food waste.

General Waste Bins are **not** to be used for disposal of batteries, chemicals, or biological materials.



4. SHARPS CONTAINERS

Contaminated and non-contaminated sharps (e.g. needles, lancets, razor blades), are to be disposed in puncture-proof biohazardous sharps containers.

Personal sharps disposal containers can be found in most washrooms on campus.

If a sharps container is full, call the number provided on container.



Chemical and Biological Laboratory Waste

Do **not** dispose of chemical or biological waste in any waste disposal container or bin.

For more information on Chemical and Biological Lab Waste visit [Hazardous Materials and Equipment Safety](#) on the Health and Safety webpage or email health.safety@uregina.ca.