

**15A NCAC 13B .1204 REQUIREMENTS FOR GENERATORS OF REGULATED MEDICAL WASTE**

(a) A person who ships regulated medical waste from the generating facility for off-site treatment shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) Regulated medical waste shall be packaged in a minimum of one plastic bag placed in a rigid fiberboard box, rigid drum, or other rigid container constructed in a manner that prevents leakage of the contents. The plastic bag shall be impervious to moisture and have a strength sufficient to preclude ripping, tearing or bursting the waste-filled bag under normal conditions of usage and handling. Each bag shall be constructed of material of sufficient single thickness strength to pass the 165-gram dropped dart impact resistance test as prescribed by Standard D 1709-91 of the American Society for Testing and Materials, which is incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments and editions, and certified by the bag manufacturer. A copy is available for inspection at the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, Division of Solid Waste Management, 401 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, North Carolina. Copies may be requested by mail at American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, P.A. 19103 or by calling (215) 299-5400 for a cost of twelve dollars (\$12.00) plus one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for shipping and handling unless prepaid, then the fee is twelve dollars (\$12.00).
- (2) Regulated medical waste shall be stored in a manner that maintains the integrity of the packaging at all times.
- (3) Each package of regulated medical waste shall be labeled with a water-resistant universal biohazard symbol.
- (4) Each package of regulated medical waste shall be marked on the outer surface with the following information:
  - (A) the generator's name, address, and telephone number;
  - (B) the transporter's name, address, and telephone number;
  - (C) storage facility name, address, and telephone number, when applicable;
  - (D) treatment facility name, address and telephone number;
  - (E) date of shipment; and
  - (F) "INFECTIOUS WASTE" or "MEDICAL WASTE".

(b) Records of regulated medical waste shall be maintained for each shipment and shall include the information listed in this Paragraph. This information shall be maintained at the generating facility for no less than three years.

- (1) amount of waste by number of packages (piece count);
- (2) date shipped off-site;
- (3) name of transporter;
- (4) name of storage or treatment facility.

The requirements of this Paragraph shall not apply to persons who generate less than 50 pounds of regulated medical waste per month.

(c) A plan to ensure proper management of regulated medical waste shall be prepared and maintained at the generating facility.

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