

## Properly Close Biohazard Waste Bags

### MATERIALS

**Red biohazard bags** will be not provided to you. Dispose all waste into the red biohazard bags that have a biohazard symbol on them similar to this:



Both primary and secondary bag must be CLOSED (preferably with zip ties). Bags must meet ASTM D1709 and ASTM D1922 standards.

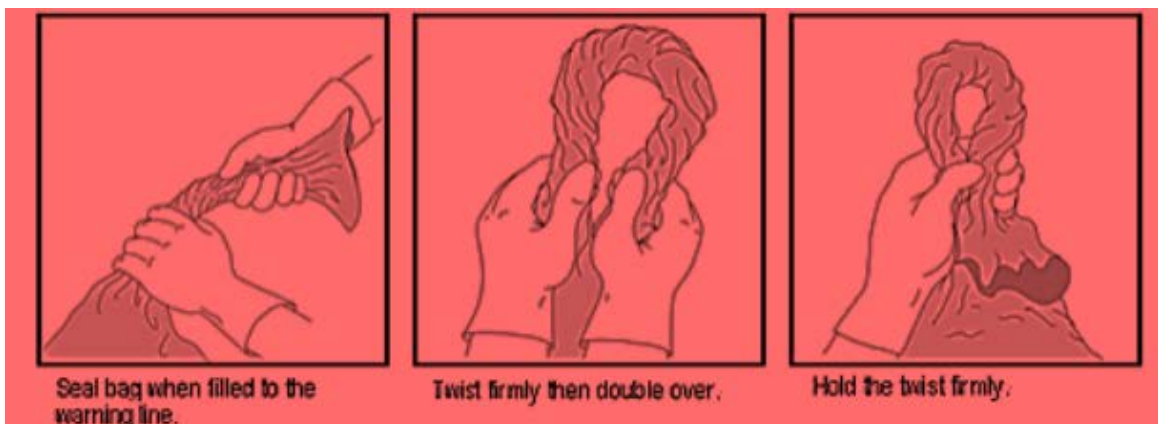
A waste drum will be provided to you.

### Biohazard Waste Preparation

Dispose of your trash items inside the red bags in the lined container until it is **2/3 of the way full**. Make sure no liquids are included in these waste bags. For liquid biohazard waste questions please contact EH&S.

**IMPORTANT:** If your waste item has a very sharp or jagged edge that could potentially puncture the bags, do not dispose of it in these bags. Please request a sharps container.

When the red bags are 2/3 full, gather the top portion of the bags together in your hands and **twist until the bags form a “snake”** shape, then fold over the twisted bags until they form a **loop** at the top above your hand (see below). Do **NOT** tie the bags by the bow or “bunny ear” method (tie both sides of the bag together and knot them).



Seal the loop of the bag to itself by using provided zip ties (see below).



Leave the bag in place in the container with the lid closed and secured.