



## APPLICATION

NYU Langone Health

## PURPOSE

To protect human health and the environment through the proper management and disposal of universal waste.

To comply with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 273: Standards for Universal Waste Management.

*Note: This Safety Policy supplements Safety Policy 108: Chemical Waste Minimization and Disposal Program.*

## POLICY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.0 Application

NYU Langone Health (NYULH) refers to the NYU Langone Health System, NYU Langone Hospitals, NYU Grossman School of Medicine, NYU Long Island School of Medicine, the Family Health Centers at NYU Langone, and all entities controlled by any of them.

This policy applies to:

- All indoor and outdoor areas of all NYULH owned and leased facilities.
- All employees, contractors, and consultants of NYULH

### 2.0 Definition of items containing

defined below.

Computers and monitors, is managed by MCIT. Staff should  
use the Self Service portal under "Device Disposal" to arrange for

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**Policy:**



- x High-intensity discharge (HID) lamps
- x Neon lamps
- x Ultra-violet lamps
- x Light-Emitting Diode (LED) bulbs

### 3.0 Responsibilities

#### 3.1 Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) is responsible for:

- x developing the Program
- x managing the Program at all facilities, except NYULH-LI and lamps from NYU Langone Orthopedic Hospital (LOH)
- x approving recycling facilities
- x developing training materials and providing employee training
- x periodically evaluating the effectiveness of the Program
- x arranging for proper disposal of universal waste from all facilities except NYULH-LI
- x maintaining the universal waste records

#### 3.2 NYULH-LI Hospitality Services (Hospitality) is responsible for the Program at NYULH-LI, including:

- x managing the Program
- x approving recycling facilities
- x developing training materials and providing employee training
- x periodically evaluating the effectiveness of the Program
- x arranging for proper disposal of universal waste
- x maintaining the universal waste records

#### 3.3 Departmental heads or their designee(s) are responsible for compliance with the Program within their departments. Their responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- x ensuring that universal waste disposal containers meet the requirements described in Section 4.0 of this policy, including proper labeling of contents and accumulation start date
- x ensuring proper collection of universal waste within their department(s)



3.4 **Facilities** (Facilities Management, Facilities Operations, Engineering) and Real Estate are responsible for managing universal waste lamps from their facilities, including:

- x Collecting, storing, labeling, and dating universal waste lamps properly
- x notifying EH&S or Hospitality for pickup and when additional containers are needed

**LOH Facilities** is also responsible for:

- x arranging for proper disposal of universal waste lamps
- x maintaining records for disposal of universal waste lamps

3.5 **LOH Environmental Services is responsible for:**

- x collecting all universal waste except waste lamps
- x maintaining records for disposal of universal waste that they collect

3.6 **Clinical Engineering** and **NYULH-LI BioMed** are t.7 a7



- x are structurally sound
  - x are compatible with the waste contents
  - x do not show evidence of leakage or spillage
- 4.5 Discard any items that show evidence of leakage, spillage, or damage as hazardous waste (see Safety Policy 108: *Chemical Waste Minimization and Disposal Program*).
- 4.6 Contact Facilities or Real Estate, as appropriate, for pickup of universal waste lamps and transportation to the designated waste storage area.
- 4.7 Contact EH&S for off-site disposal of full universal waste containers or universal waste containers with a collection start date approaching one (1) year.
- x Exceptions: at LOH, contact Environmental Services for routine removal from LOH off-sites. At NYULH-LI, contact Hospitality for off-site disposal of universal waste.
- 4.8 Do not send universal waste to a destination facility unless the facility has been approved by EH&S or Hospitality (NYULH-LI).
- 4.9 For all batteries: Protect battery terminals before placing in containers. Tape terminals or place batteries in individual baggies.
- x Alkaline and carbon zinc batteries dispose in regular trash

### 5.0 Related Safety Policies

Safety Policy 107: Recycling of Computers and Electronic Equipment

Safety Policy 108: Chemical Waste Minimization and Disposal Program

Safety Policy 170: Mercury Elimination Program

<b>Appendix A</b>	Sample Universal Waste Label
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