

Radioactive Material Waste Disposal

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Introduction

Waste items requiring radiation surveillance can be any unwanted radioactive material, including naturally occurring radioactive material, radioactively contaminated items, equipment containing embedded radioactive sources and unwanted radiation producing devices. The Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (Iowa HHS), by agreement with the Nuclear Regulatory Agency (NRC), regulates the handling of radioactive waste in Iowa.

The Radiation Safety Committee (RSC) is responsible for ensuring that radioactive materials and radiation producing devices are disposed of properly. The Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) manages the radioactive waste with guidance from the RSC. EH&S collects, manages, and arranges for the disposal of all radioactive waste generated at Iowa State University.

Policy Statement

University personnel shall adhere to the requirements of ISU's *Waste and Recycling Guidelines* and *Radioactive Materials Safety Manual* for the disposal of radioactive material waste.

Resources

Links

- [EH&S Radioactive Materials](#)
- [ISU Radioactive Materials Safety Manual](#)
- [EH&S Waste Removal](#)
- [ISU Waste and Recycling Guidelines](#)
- [Radiation Safety Committee – Office for Responsible Research](#)
- [Radiation Producing Device Registration](#)
- [Radiation Use](#)
- [Radioactive Material Use Authorization](#)