

IMPORTANT CLAUSES

“Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules,2016”

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Pre-Treatment made mandatory...

“...pre-treat the laboratory waste, microbiological waste, blood samples and blood bags through disinfection or sterilization on-site in the manner as prescribed by the World Health Organization(WHO) or National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) guidelines and then sent to the common bio-medical waste treatment facility for final disposal...” – Page 4, Clause No. 4(c) .

“.....on-site pre-treatment of laboratory waste, microbiological waste, blood samples, blood bags should be disinfected or sterilized as per the Guidelines of World Health Organization or National AIDS Control Organization and then given to the common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility....” – Page 16, Part 2, Clause 9

What all comes in the ambit of pre-treatment.....

“.....occupier” means a person having administrative control over the institution and the premises generating bio-medical waste, which includes a hospital, nursing home, clinic, dispensary, veterinary institution, animal house, pathological laboratory, blood Bank, health care facility and clinical establishment, irrespective of their system of medicine and by whatever name they are....” – Page 3, Clause 3(m).

Bar coding system....

“.....Establish a Bar-Code System for bags or containers containing bio-medical waste to be sent out of the premises or place for any purpose within one year from the date of the notification of these rules...” – Page 4, Clause 4 (i)

Segregation of biomedical waste....

“.....No untreated bio-medical waste shall be mixed with other wastes...” – Page 8 Clause 8(1)

Record Maintenance of 5 years...

“... Every authorized person shall maintain records related to the generation, collection, reception, storage, transportation, treatment, disposal or any other form of handling of bio-medical waste, for a period of five years. In accordance with these rules and guidelines issued by the Central Government or the Central Pollution Control Board or the prescribed authority as the case may be” – Page 11 Clause 14 (1)

Penalization for non-compliance.....

“....imprisonment for a period of 5 years or a fine of 1 lac rupees or both....” – Environment protection act 1986.